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1913				
*31st May	MANTUA	11000	.....	...
7th June	SALSETTE	6000	MOOLTAN	10000
14th "	ARABIA	8000	.....	...
21st "	DELTA	8000	MOREA	11000
28th "	INDIA	8000	.....	...
5th July.	SALSETTE	6000	MARMORA	10500
12th "	HIMALAYA	7000	.....	...
19th "	SALSETTE	6000	MEDINA	12500
26th "	EGYPT	8000	.....	...
2nd Aug.	SALSETTE	6000	MOLDAVIA	10000
9th "	PERSIA	8000	.....	...
16th "	SALSETTE	6000	MALOJA	12500
23rd "	CALEDONIA	8000	.....	...
30th "	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	10000
6th Sept.	ARABIA	8000	.....	...
13th "	INDIA	8000	MACEDONIA	12500

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*Circassia	6722	C F. Osborne, R.N.R.	5th July.
Scindia	5106	Wm. Kelso	19th July
*Castalia	6388	G. Mitchell	3rd Aug.
*Elysia	6368	J.A.Coverley	17th Aug.
Massilia	5091	J. Thomson	1st Sept.
Olympia	5124	J. Kinnaird	17th Sept.
*Circassia	6722	C. F. Osborne, R.N.R.	4th Oct
Scindia	5106	Wm. Kelso	15th Oct.
*Castalia	6388	G. Mitchell	26th Oct.
*Elysia	6368	J. A. Coverley	11th Nov.
Massilia	5091	J. Thomson	29th Nov.
Olympia	5124	J. Kinnaird	13th Dec. 1914
*Circassia	6722	C. F. Osborne, R.N.R.	4th Jan.
Scindia	5106	Wm. Kelso	16th Jan.
*Castalia	6388	G. Mitchell	31st Jan.

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Nera	5685	Cousiz	30th July, 1913
Sydney	4142	Ras	27th Aug. 1913

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PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... £ 562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ..... £ 562,500
RESERVE FUNDS ..... £ 415,000

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RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ..... £ 600,000

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Reserve Fund	..... " "	3,250,000,00
Undivided Profits	.... " "	627,775

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A. C. RUMBOLL,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 29th May, 1913.

NOTICE.

THE Executive Engineer, Thana, will receive sealed Tenders at 1 P. M., Standard Time, on 25th June, 1913, for constructing Preventive Officer's QUARTERS, at Sonagar, Salsette Taluka.

2. The forms of Tenders, etc., can be had on payment of Rs. 2 for each form, to the Accountant, Executive Engineer's Office, Thana, from 11 A. M. to 4 P. M., on working days, except the day of receiving the Tenders.

3. Tenders should be complete in respect of signatures, calculations, totals, etc., INCOMPLETE TENDERS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

		Rs.
Probable value of the work	...	4,923
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F. R. BADER,
Executive Engineer,
Thana District.

Thana, 28th May, 1913.

NOTICE.

WITH reference to Railway Board's advertisement dated 7th April, 1913, calling for Tenders for the construction and supply of wagons for the Indian States Railways, notice is hereby given that the TIME for the submission of Tenders for the construction and supply of 100 metre gauge bogie, I. C. goods wagons, 43 ft. long, Sheffield Twinberrow type, is extended to noon of TUESDAY, the 24th June, 1913.

T. RYAN,
Officiating Secretary,
Railway Board.

Simla, 26th May, 1913.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

ALTERATIONS OF TRAINS FROM 1ST JUNE 1913.

ON and from 1st June, 1913, the 16 Up South-East Passenger Train will leave Raichur at 11-45 instead of 12-45 and arrive Bombay at 14-45 as at present.

The Down Tranship Train conveying Third Class Passengers between Jhansi and Cawnpore, E. I. Railway, will leave Jhansi at 7-0 instead of 20-15 and arrive Cawnpore, E. I. Railway, at 23-35 instead of 9-10. The Up Tranship Train conveying Third Class Passengers will leave Cawnpore, E. I. Railway, at 16-5 instead of 20-0 and arrive Jhansi at 7-55 instead of 11-5.

Timings of other Passenger and Mail Trains have been SLIGHTLY ALTERED, as shown in the Sheet Time-Table exhibited at stations.

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

NOTICE.

ELECTION OF A COUNCILLOR TO FILL UP A CASUAL VACANCY IN THE FORT WARD.

THE SAID ELECTION being a contested Election I hereby publish as required by Section 27 (2) of the City of Bombay Municipal Act III of 1888 the names of the persons validly nominated with their respective abodes and descriptions and the names of the persons subscribing their respective nomination papers as proposers and seconders.

No.	Name of the Candidate.	Abode.	Description.	Nominated by	Seconded by
1	Mr. Behramji Rastamji Jijibhai.	26, Babula Tank Road, Byculla.	Merchant, Justice of the Peace and Honorary Presidency Magistrate.	Dr. Nadirshaw H. E. Sukhia, L.M. & S., L.V.SC., M.R.S.I. (London). The Hon'ble Sir Jamsetji Jijibhai, Bart. Sir Sassoon David, Bart.	Dr. Sorab Dinshaji Kias, L.M. & S. Mr. James MacDonald. Messrs. Greaves Cotton & Co.
2	Mr. Jehangir Bomanji Petit.	"Mount Petit," Pedder Road.	Merchant and Mill Agent.	Sir Jagmohandas Varjivandas, Kt. Mr. Navroji Jehangir Gamadia. Sir Dorabji Jamsetji Tata, Kt. The Hon'ble Mr. Fazalbhai Meherali Chinai. Mr. Dinsha Edalji Vacha.	Mr. Ratansi Mulji Ravji. Dr. Dadabhoy Navroji Saher, L.M. & S. Dr. Raghvendra Rao, M.D. (London), D.Sc. (London). Mr. Chotubhai Anupram Vakil. Mr. C. W. Breul.

The Poll will be taken on THURSDAY, the 5th Proximo, from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M. Bombay Time, in the booths to be erected on the Maidan on Cruickshank Road, opposite the Municipal Offices.

Forms of voting papers will be supplied only to persons appearing to be entitled to vote and each such persons will be supplied with one form of voting paper only on his personally applying for it.

The forms will be supplied free of charge on the day of the Poll at the Polling place from 8 A. M Bombay Time.

Voting papers signed by persons holding a special or general power of attorney under section 28 (h) of the Municipal Act to represent a Company (other than a Joint Stock Company) or Firm for Election purposes will not be accepted unless the power of Attorney is signed by all the members of the Company or Firm.

In cases where all the members of a Company or Firm are not in Bombay a person holding a power to vote given by the representative of the Company or Firm duly authorised to give such power will be allowed to vote.

Persons wishing to vote must tender their votes at the table of the particular Polling Officer to whom the reception of their votes will be allotted.

A separate booth for filling in Voting Papers will be provided and only the voters wishing to fill in their Voting Papers will be admitted to this booth. Clerks will be stationed in this booth and they will, if the voters so desire, assist them in filling in their voting papers.

No persons except the voters and the candidates will be allowed to enter the booth where votes are to be recorded.

P. R. CADELL,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices, Bombay 29th May, 1913.

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WANTED.—BOARD and LODGING, by an Anglo-Indian, from the 1st June, in Elphinstone Circle, or near PROXIMITY. Apply W. A., care of the 'Bombay Gazette."

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The steamer Gallia, 555 tons, Captain W. James, arrived in harbour yesterday from Bhawnagar, with a general cargo and 15 deck passengers.

The steamer Portlon, 1,959 tons, Captain P. P. Roberts, arrived in harbour yesterday from Moulmein, with a general cargo.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Lindula 2,183 tons, Captain T. Walsh, sailed yesterday for Durban via South African ports with a general cargo 16 cabin and 350 deck passengers.

The steamer Baron Balfour, 2,552 tons, Captain G. L. Symonds, sailed yesterday for Calcutta with ballast.

The steamer Euryalus, 2,308 tons, Captain R. P. Williams, sailed yesterday for Moulmein with ballast.

The Wilson Line steamer Oriosto, 2,760 tons, Captain A. E. Booth, arrived in harbour yesterday from Hull with a general cargo.

The steamer Royal Prince, 3,575 tons, Captain D. Coull, arrived in harbour yesterday from New York via Delagoa Bay with ballast.

The steamer Kish, 3,157 tons, Capt. E. Robertson, will sail to-day for Hamburg, etc. with a general cargo.

VESSELS IN THE STREAM.

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H M S Lawrence Finnis.....R I M
H M S Dufferin . Comdr La Touche ...R I M
R I M S Hardinge...Comdr Ward .....R I M
R I M S Fallnurus...Comdr Headlam ...R I M
R I M S Investigator.....Capt Hic man Survey Str.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—MAY 29.

Ambra..... 2440 Bandibsch .....
Clan Macalister.....3065Clark .....J F and Co
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City of Naples .....3414 Pike .....K N and Co
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Massilia ...3250 Thomson ...W and A G and Co
Nawab.....2011 Kay .....T M and Co
Ninian..... 4068 Williams .....
Nordmark ..3173 Lunning...W and AG and Co
Orminia ... 2305 Thomson ...W & A G & Co
Otakaria .....3437 Raddick .....M M and Co
Oriosto .....2760 Booth .....J F and Co
Portlon ... 1959 Roberts .....
Sahmani 1873 .....Mc Intyre.....P M & Co
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VESSELS IN DOCK.—MAY 29.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels.	Tons.	Capts.	Dest.	Date.	Agents.
A Hannigton Court.....	3217	Wilson...	..		W and A G and Co
C & E Glen Clunny.....	20 7	Taylor	..		W and A G and Co
D & E City of Madrid ...3134	Snow...	3 5.....			K N & Co
B Clan Macintyre...3752	East ..	J Finlay & Co			
F Kohistan 2949	Owen ...	Dkirk	31-5...		M M and Co
G Fitzroi.....2023	Primrose.....				T M and Co
H Abaris.... 1830	Rippon...	.....			T M & Co
K Indo Maru ...2575	Nemoto ...	Kobe...	2-6		O S Kaisha
M Kalcma ...3209	Keasley ...	New Year ...	28-5		W & A G & Co
N Bockburgen.....	2447	de Hond.....			T M & Co
P Weissenfels 2434	Khumchaff ...	Bremen	5-6...		W & A G & Co
Q Clouisham...3075	Weddess.				W & A G and Co

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1 Cleopatra ...2129 Obersich .....Trieste... 2-6...A L S N Co
2 Middleburn Castle.2899 Walters...T M & Co
3 Ormiston ...3147 Hamilton...Hull.....31-5 J F & Co
5 Westminster...2764 Williams...T M & Co
7 Len of Kelly .. 2377 White...K N and Co
9 Devauna.....4785 Hickey . P and O Co
10 & 11 Kawachi Maru .. 3321 Christiansen... Kobe...28-5...N Y Kaisha
12 & 13 China .....4 61 Tocque ...P & O Co
15 China.....3842 Giurovich ...Trieste...30-5 A L S N Co
16 Prasident ...1086 Schmidt.....A S & Co

H W V D

Dwar a .....758 Moxon .....M M and Co

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Riga .....949 Butler .....M M and Co

Off-side F N

Quilon.....4941 Cole...Akyab.....30-5..... M M & Co

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Lombard .....760 Ebram .....Bo S N Co

ARRIVALS.

May	Vessels.	Commanders.	From
28	Portlon	Roberts ...	Mlmein. May 17
29	Gallia	Jones	Bhavnagar May 28
	Ambra.....	Banditch..	Calcutta May 14
	Oriosto	Booth	Hull, May 14
	Royal Prince.	Coull	N York, &c
	Nurzai	McLinnan .	Calcutta &c

DEPARTURES.

May	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
29	Kasuga.....	Walsh	Durban, &c
	Euryalus.....	Williams...	Moulmein
	B Fafour ..	Symonds...	Calcutta
	Kish	Roberts...n	Hamburg, &c

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer City of Madrid, for Marseilles.
„ Gallia, for Bhownagar.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The British India S N Co's steamer "Perbera", left Suez on the afternoon of the 28th instant.

The Societa' Nazionale Di Servizi Marittimi Company's steamer Sardegna, from Genoa left Aden for Bombay on the 28th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 3rd June in the evening.

THE Bank of Bengal rate was not reduced to-day, as was expected, owing to higher rates ruling in Bombay and Madras. The rate remains 6 per cent.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE charges for announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender, are Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

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BIRTH.

BROWN.—May 26, at the Cama Hospital Mrs. Wilkie Brown, Jalna, of a daughter.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Olympia Picture Palace, Sandhurst-road.
Cinema De Luxe, 6-30 and 10 p. m.
Excelsior Cinematograph, 6-30 to 8 ; 8-30 to 9-30 ; and 10 to 11-30.
America-India Cinematograph, Charni-road.
Alcazar Cinematograph, Edwardes Theatre, 6-30 and 10 p. m.
Coronation Cinematograph "Harishchandra," Sandhurst-road.

Maxim : Birth is the precursor of death.

THE ENGLISH MAILS.

DEPARTURE.

The P and O. Company's mail steamer "Mantua" leaves Bombay harbour on Saturday next at 2-39 p. m.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE.

[In force from 1st March, 1913.]

The following are the hours of arrival and departure of the principal Mail and Express trains at and from Victoria Terminus and Colaba daily. Standard time is given in all cases :—

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

	Arr.	Dep.
Punjab Mail	12-35	19-14
Calcutta Mail (via Jubbulpur)	13-20	21-0
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-45	14-0
Madras Mail	6-0	22-0
Poona Mail	11-10	14-45
Delhi Express (3rd and inter. class)	6-50	7-30
Poona Express	19-35	8-0
Manmad Express	12-20	14-20
Postal Express for Punjab ...		*
do do for Calcutta ...		*
do do for Madras ...		*

* Four hours after Mail steamer is signalled on Fridays only.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

	Arr.	Dep.
Northern Express	7-30	21-0
Guzerat Mail	8-35	21-50
Third Class Express ...	6-45	17-0

MUSIC AT THE ROYAL YACHT CLUB.—By kind permission of Lt.-Col. R. C. H. Barnard, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn. G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. S. H. Dowsall, Bandmaster, commencing at 6-15 p.m., to-day :—

Fanfare (to).Nibelungen .....Wagner
Overture.. Stradella ..... Flotow
Valse .....The Druid's Prayer .. Dutton
Grand Selection ..... Cavalleria Rusticana .Mascagni
Poona (from)..Samson & Delilah ...Saint Saens
Excerpts (from) .....Lyrique Suite .....Greig
Characteristic .....The Butterfly .....Bendix

POSTAL NOTICE.—Tuesday next will be public holiday in celebration of His Majesty the King Emperor's birth-day. On that day all post offices and the telegraph branches of combined offices will observe the same working hours as on Sundays.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.—At a general meeting of the shareholders of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, held at Tokio on the 28th instant, a dividend of 10 percent. per annum was declared for the half year ending 31st March, 1913.

FALL INTO A WELL.—A Pardeshi, named Pirthirajsing Anampalsing, while drawing water from a well in Nana's Wadi, Girgaum, slipped and fell in. He sustained severe injuries and was taken to the G. T. Hospital, where he has been detained for treatment.

EXPLOSION OF A DETONATOR.—Yesterday, a small detonator at the DeLisle Road excavation works exploded, and about seven children, who were playing on the road, were injured. They were taken to the Sir J. J. Hospital, where they were dressed and sent home.

FIRST AID AND HOME NURSING.—Dr. Sorab K. Engineer, will, on behalf of the Parsi Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, deliver lectures on "First Aid to the Injured" at the Elphinstone High School, Dhobitalao, from Sunday the 15th June. The course consists of a series of about eight lectures illustrated with skeleton, charts, diagram, etc., on human anatomy and physiology, the circulatory, respiratory, and nervous systems, fractures, drowning, etc., occupying one hour each Sunday. No fees are charged. Gentlemen intending to join this class, which lasts for only two months, are requested to apply to Mr. D. F. Panthaki, honorary secretary, Parsi Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade, No. 9, Karelvadi, Bombay. Dr. Ardeshir Ruttonji Merchant will commence his lectures on "Home Nursing" from the same date, between 4 and 5 p. m. (S. T.), and holders of First-Aid certificates of the St. John Ambulance Association, intending to join the class, are also requested to apply to the above address. These classes are open for gentlemen of all communities, without distinction of caste or creed.

DEPARTURES.

Per s. s. "CHINA," May 30.

The following is the list of passengers proceeding to Trieste and Venice via intermediate ports, per Austrian Lloyd's steamer "China," to-day from the Victoria Dock No. 15. The Medical Inspection of the Saloon passengers will take place at the Victoria Dock Shed No 15, at 3-15 p.m. Deck passengers and Native servants must be present at the Port Health Disinfecting Station, Frere Road, near Prince's Dock, with all their luggage and kit, at 1-30 p.m. :—

Ali Mahomed Bin Haji Mr and Mrs and 5 children
Bestic, Miss F
Boyazis, Mr E D
Delenarde, Mr
Evocer, Mr
Foskett, Mr and Mrs
Forman, Revd G
Frank, Mr M
Hertz, Mr H H
Karsten, Revd R
Lincke, Mrs M
Mahbub Alam, Mr
Morrison, Lt D M
Pavogel, Mr F
Rolfsen, Mr E
Suter, Mrs
Stafford, Mrs G M
Stafford, Miss D
Stafford, Miss S
Sulick Haji Mahomed, Mr and Mrs and 3 children

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BETWEEN BOMBAY AND PESHAWAR.

DOWN from Bombay. H. M.		UP to Bombay. H. M.
19-15...Dep.	Bombay .....Arr.	12-35
0-37...Arr.	Manmad .....Dep.	6-46
10-24... „	Bhopal ..... „	21- 2
12-53... „	Bina ..... „	18-35
15-14... „	Jhansi ..... „	15-58
17-25... „	Gwalior ..... „	13-43
19-55... „	Agra Cantonment „	11- 9
20-49... „	Muttra ..... „	10-15
23- 0... „	Delhi ..... Dep.	8- 0
23-25...Dep.	Delhi ..... Arr.	7-28
3-17... „	Amballa Cantonment ..... Dep.	3-55
5-39... „	Ludhiana ..... „	1-23
6- 2... „	Phillaur ..... „	0-54
6-45... „	Jullundur ..... „	0-16
8-29... „	Amritsar ..... „	22-39
11-50... „	Lahore ..... „	21-35
14-33... „	Lala Musa ..... „	15-43
18-51... „	Rawalpindi ..... „	11-44
23-18...Arr.	Peshawar Cantonment ..... „	6-54

BETWEEN BOMBAY AND SIMLA.

DOWN H. M.			UP H. M.
19-15.....Dep.	Bombay ...Arr.		12-35
23- 0.....Arr.	Delhi	Dep.	8- 0
23-25.....Dep.		Arr.	7-28
2-52.....Arr.	Amballa	Dep.	3-55
3-45.....Dep.		Arr.	2-51
5-38.....Arr.	Kalka	Dep.	1- 0
6-15.....Dep.		Arr.	0-12
12-42.....Arr.	Simla .....Dep.		18- 0

BETWEEN DOWN BOMBAY AND LUCKNOW. UP

H. M.		H. M.
19-15.....Dep.	Bombay .....Arr.	12-35
16-15..... „	Jhansi .....Dep.	15-58
18-15..... „	Orai ..... „	13-11
20-14..... „	Cawnpore ... „	11- 8
21-45..... „	Lucknow ..... „	9-45

For up journey read from bottom to top on right hand side.

A. C. BOMBOLL,
GENERAL TRAFFIC MANAGER.

SALLE FRANCAISE.

MEDICINE THROUGH THE AGES.

Under the auspices of the Salle Francaise Prof. L. Peltier delivered two lectures on "medicine through the ages". The lecturer handled the subject with that charm and perspicuity so characteristic of the French genius. In the first part of his lecture, he dealt with a few generalities, such as the definiation and the aim of medicine, and discussed the usual question as to whether medicine is an art or a science. He took a cursory review of the system of medicine as practised by the Egyptains, Hebrews, Greeks, Romans, Arabs, and in the European Middle Ages. He said that it was curious that some of the ancient doctrines had been taken up by the science of to-day. The growth of the modern medical science formed the subject of the second part of his lecture. After having made an allusion to Bacon, the father of experimental philosophy, and Descartes, the father of modern philosophy, who were pioneers of the modern scientific method, the lecturer dwelt on the achievements of the medical luminaries whose labours in the field of medicine had resulted in discoveries of far reaching consequences. He spoke of the contributions to medical science and philosophy made by Harvey, the celebrated discoverer of the circulation of the blood ; Sydenham, the English Hippocrates ; Bichat, the founder of the science of Histology; Boerhaave; Broussais; who shed more blood than Napoleon I; Claude Bernard, the founder of modern physiology; Pasteur, the second father of medicine, who revolutionized the science of medicine by his epoch-making discovery, resulting in the formation of the science of Bacteriology; and others whose names have been associated with some important development in the history of medicine. Before concluding his lecture, he announced that his Excellency the Governor of Bombay had been graciously pleased to give his patronage to the reunion that was to be specially organised to celebrate the anniversary of the Salle Francaise, and spoke in very appreciative terms of the interest M. P. R. Chichgar took in the advancement of the Salle and the valuable services he rendered to it in various ways.

A vote of thanks proposed by M. le Commandant E. E. Preston to the lecturer, terminated the proceedings.

BIRTHDAY PARADE.

Tuesday the 3rd June being the anniversary of the Birthday of His Majesty the King Emperor, the troops in the garrison will parade at 7 a. m. (weather permitting) as follows :—Royal Garrison Artillery, 1st Sherwood Forresters and one double company 95th Russell's Infantry from Marine Lines at Colaba Parade Ground. The officer commanding 1st Sherwood, Forresters will arrange the Colaba parade ground for ceremonial drill. The officer commanding the Royal Garrison Artillery will arrange to fire a Royal salute of 31 guns with the movable armament. The remainder of the 95th Russells Infantry, at Santa Cruz, under arrangements to be made by the officer commanding the 95th Russels' Infantry.

Dress Review order. Simmer, clothing colours uncased. "A fleu-de-joie" will be fired.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEERS.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.
REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY THE HON. COLONEL R. W. L. DUNLOP, C.I.E., V.D., COMMANDING.
Bombay, 70th May, 1913.

341. Musketry.—The Range at Ghat Kopar is reserved for "C" Company Class Firing on Sunday the 1st proximo. Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 5-40 a.m.

342. Parade.—All Recruits of the current season will parade at Head quarters at 6-30 p.m. to-day, Friday the 30th instant.
Dress.—Mufti.

343. Enrolments.—The undernamed having been enrolled are taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to companies as follows :—
No 7473 Vol A Briggs, "G" Coy.
No 7474 Vol F D Stephens, "E" Coy.
(Sd.) F. H. JAMES, Capt.,
Offg. Adjutant, B. V. R.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

HIGH COURT.

AN IMBECILE'S PROPERTY.

At the High Court yesterday, the Hon. the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Shah presided over a special sitting of the Appellate side and, disposed of, among other appeals, the one in which Abdul Kayum Abdul Hussain Mangiwala sought an order against his conviction by the Third Presidency Magistrate, on a charge of kidnapping one Kamiruddin from lawful guardianship. It appears that Kamruddin Abdul Tyeb Maskali, the young-man in question, has, being the successor to his father's estate, become possessed of property to the value of three to four lakhs of rupees; but was unfortunately of an unsound mind and incapable of looking after his interests. He was therefore under the protection of his brother, Bai Nemtullah, with whom he resided. The accused, who had access to the family, is alleged to have exerted his influence over the youthful imbecile, and induced him to execute a power of attorney authorising the accused, on payment of a large salary, to look after Kamiruddin's estate, for a long period. The accused, on the strength of the power of attorney, took steps to file an administration suit in the High Court, and, by the time the charge of kidnapping had been preferred against him before the Magistrate. The medical evidence of Col. Collie, Major Gordon Tucker, Drs. Newman and Ghaswalla, who had, from time to time, examined Kamruddin, confirmed the statement that he was insane.

Rao Bahadur Chunilal Setalwad, who tried the case, sentenced the accused to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 300, or, in default, three month's rigorous imprisonment. His Worship in his judgment observed, it was a disagreeable surprise, that it was possible, in Bombay, for the accused to take an imbecile like Kamruddin, whom, not only expert evidence but whose very appearance, manner and talk, had shown to be mentally afflicted to two solicitors, and to persuade him to sign a prepared power of attorney, wholly advantageous to the accused, and to give instructions for an agreement of a long period of service at a large salary as well as to direct a preparation for filing and administration suit, involving a very rich estate.

In the course of the judgment, their Lordships stated that the only point urged in support of the appeal was that there was no evidence to uphold the allegation that it was the accused who enticed away the lunatic. It was argued that Kamruddin left his mother on the 5th of September, of his own accord, as he was ill-treated by her, and that, though the accused might have helped him afterwards, and even taken undue advantage of his mental weakness, he could not be said to have taken or enticed him away within the meaning of sect. 361 of the Indian Penal Code. It was quite true, as contended by the learned counsel for the defence, that unless the evidence in the case justified the inference as to some kind of persuation or moral force having been used by the accused before Kamruddin was out of his mother's custody, as a result of which Kamruddin left the house, the conviction could not be supported. The only question in the appeal, therefore, was whether the evidence in the case justified the inference on this point drawn by the lower court against the accused. It was clearly established that Kamruddin was a person of unsound mind and that the accused being a relation of his wife, and his neighbour at Surat knew all about his mental condition. Kamruddin belonged to a rich family known as the Muscati Family of Surat, and has a substantial interest in the property, which was stated to be worth several lakhs of rupees. It was admitted that the accused and Kamruddin used to meet each other off and on in Bombay. It was proved that he left the house at Colaba, where he was staying with his mother, after 10 p. m. on the 5th and in about an hour was seen with the accused in Humum Street. Between 1 and 2 o'clock in the afternoon on that day, the accused took Kamruddin to Mr. Dubash, of the firm of Messrs. Dubash and Purushottum, where detailed instructions were given to draw up a general power of attorney in favour of the accused, and an agreement with which the accused was to get an exclusive control over the Kamruddin estate. Between 2 and 4 p. m. on that day, the accused took Kamruddin to another firm of solicitors, where instructions were given to have an administration suit filed. A warrant was signed by Kamruddin, in favour of Messrs. Motichand and Devidas, to search the record in the previous suit in the High Court, as a preliminary step to cast off the administration suit. It was a significant fact that both those firms of solicitors had worked for the accused on previous occasions and knew him well, while Kamruddin was a complete stranger to them.

After setting further facts in detail as to the movements of Kamruddin and the accused on the subsequent days as well as the thread of the case in the lower Court, after discussing and the explanation given by the accused, their Lordships confirmed the conviction and sentence.

ALLEGED BREACH OF TRUST

CHARGE AGAINST A EUROPEAN.

Yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court, the hearing of the case was resumed in which H. R. Bunnel, formerly Assistant Manager of Messrs. Treacher & Co., was charged by Inspector Morris of the C.I.D., with criminal breach of trust as a servant in respect of Rs. 1,163, belonging to the firm.

Superintendent Sullivan of the C.I.D. prosecuted, and Mr. Vicaji appeared for the accused.

Mr. Hoggetty, Manager of Messrs. Treacher & Co., was the first witness. He stated that the accused had been employed in the firm from August 1911 to July 1912. His duty was to assist witness in his work, and more particularly to open letters, pass over moneys, look after debts, and to attend to correspondence. His duties were purely confined to the office. Last April witness was away on leave for three months. It was the custom that registered letters be opened either by witness or Bunnell, and if they contained money they were handed over to the cashier. When he returned from leave, Mr. Reynolds gave him certain information and he reported it to the Police. The witness was then shown the receipted bills sent to Alwar and Jodhpur by Bunnell and he said they were not in order. He then described the way in which cheques and notes received in registered letters were dealt with. The letters were received by the cashier and were sent to the assistant manager to be opened. If there were any cheques or notes in the letters, they were entered in the cash-book by the assistant manager, and the money was handed over to the cashier. The receipts sent to Jodhpur and Alwar were shown to the witness and he said they were signed by Bunnell and were not in order. The £10 note sent from the branch at Poona had been entered in the accounts. In the rough note book it was noted that it had been sent to London. But a letter was received stating that no such note had been received and on enquiry at the Bank of England, it was ascertained that Barclay's Bank had paid the amount there and that the note had been traced to have come from the steamer "Umravosi."

Mr. H. J. Reynolds, secretary of Messrs. Treacher and Co., was next examined. He said that on August 6th, 1912, Mr. Hoggetty went on leave owing to sickness and witness was acting as general manager. During that time he received certain information that certain bills which had been sent in the ordinary course had been paid. Witness was shown the letter from the officer commanding the Jodhpur troops and he identified it. The letter expressed surprise at the bills, and requested a detailed account. A further letter from the same officer stated that the amount had been sent in currency notes by means of registered letters. A money order for four rupees odd was received from Jodhpur and that had been entered in the books, but the amounts received by registered letters had not been entered in the books.

Balachandra Sadasiv Wagh, cashier of Messrs Treacher & Co. described the manner in which registered letters were dealt with. Regarding the note received from Poona, he said that when it was received he asked Bunnell what was to be done with it. Bunnel told him to keep it till the next Friday, when it was to be sent to their agents in London. On Friday, witness handed it over to Bunnel.

Mr. K. M. Santoke, chief cashier of the firm also gave evidence about the procedure in the case of registered letters, and money received through them. He said that no entry had been made in the cash-book regarding the registered letters in question. The ledger-keeper said that about the middle of June he was asked to prepare two separate bills for the amount due from the Jodhpur State. The bills were prepared and handed over to accused.

ACCUSED'S STATEMENT.

The Magistrate then asked the accused whether he was willing to make any statement. He replied that he would put in a written statement. In reply to questions put by the Court, the accused admitted that the receipts put in were signed by him. He denied having received the amounts as per those receipts. The registered letters were sent to him by the cashier and sometime the cashier brought them himself. Almost invariably he opened the letters, but not always. Formerly the registered letters had been brought to him earlier but latterly they were brought late, about 1 o'clock when he went for lunch. On some days they were brought during his absence. He was not sure whether he received those particular letters. In the case of insured letters, the Post Office sent an intimation first, and then the receipt was signed by the cashier and he sent for them. So the cashier would know that money was expected and would wait for it to be entered in the books. Sometimes there would be several registered letters and in those cases he would take the money to the cashier and enter the sums in the books; the names of the sender, place, etc., being filled in by the cashier. Regarding the £10 note, Bunnel said that it was paid to him by the cashier in part payment of his pay. He believed it was given him in the early part of June. The pay of the European employees was paid in cheques on the 1st of every month.

The further hearing was adjourned to the 6th June.

BAIL REFUSED.

Mr. P. Godinho made an application on behalf of Vinayak Dhotie, of Messrs. B. Shakaramji and Co., Hummum Street, House Agents, who stands charged with criminal misappropriation before the Chief Magistrate. The prosecution story of the case against him was reported in our columns yesterday.

Their Lordships refused to grant the bail as nothing new had transpired in the case, to allow consideration of the question of bail.

THEFT FROM THE G. P. O.

At the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Smith charged one Keshoo Dowlat, formerly a sepoy in the General Post Office, with housebreaking and theft on two different occasion.

It appears that the copper nozzles attached to the fire-hoses in the Post Office were being constantly stolen during the last two months. The Police, after enquiries, arrested the accused and recovered four nozzles from one Mahomed Joosub, to whom the accused had sold them.

On the 17th instant two padlocks disappeared from the General Post Office. It was alleged that the accused broke one of the window glasses and entered the room, took the keys, opened two of the padlocks used for working two rooms and carried them away.

The Magistrate sentenced the accused to two months' rigorous imprisonment.

Mahomed Josub was next charged with receiving the stolen property. He pleaded guilty to the charge.

The Magistrate sentenced him to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

AN EXPLANATION.

Some misunderstanding seems to have been created by a remark of the Magistrate about the police in a Police Court paragraph, which appeared under the heading : "Old Offenders," in our issue of the 27th instant. The Magistrate did not use any was expression which entended to convey anyrebuke to the police, but simply expressed, his hope that they would make further enquiries and would be able to recover more property.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
SIMLA, May 29.

Major G. M. Morris, 2nd Battalion 2nd Gurkhas, is transferred as 2nd in Command of the 2nd Battalion 8th Gurkhas.

Major Macpherson, 1st Battalion 2nd Gurkhas, is transferred to the 2nd Battalion of that Regiment.

Major E. R. P. Boileau, is appointed 2nd in command of the 1st Battalion, 2nd Gurkhas.

Lieut.-Col. E. H. Johnson, R.E., has been selected for the command of the 2nd Sappers and Miners, in succession to Lieut.-Col. Roe, R.E.

Brigadier-General Cockburn, Inspector, Royal Garrison Artillery, is granted leave for 3 months.

Col. J. T. Evatt, I.A., is permitted to retire from the 23rd April, 1913.

Lieut.-Col. Stansfeld, R.G.A., has been selected for appointment as Chief Inspector at Woolwich and is ordered Home.

Lieut.-Col. Peake, R.A, is appointed to the 10th Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery, at Meerut.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

VICEROY'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. Fazalbhoy M. Chinoy presiding.

The Committee considered the letter from the Commissioner stating that he had been requested by the Secretaries for the Children's Fete to be held on the 20th June in commemoration of his Excellency the Viceroy's recovery, to ask the Municipality to make a contribution towards the expenses of the undertaking. It was proposed that all the school children in Bombay should be suitably entertained in their schools on that day, and a representative Committee had been formed for that purpose. In consideration of the special interest that attaches to the occasion, of the universal nature of the intended celebration, and of the fact that a very large proportion of the children would be those attending Municipals Schools, the Commissioner ventured to think that it would be both right and graceful on the part of the Municipality to subscribe to the funds. In view of the total expenses likely to be incurred, he thought a contribution of Rs. 5,000 would be suitable.

The Committee resolved to recommend the Corporation to sanction a sum of Rs. 5,000, being subscribed to the fund and that sanction of Government be obtained before the expenditure was made.

With reference to Standing Committee Resolution of the 6th instant, regarding the well at premises No. 315-317, Bora Bazar Street, that whenever parties resided at the premises they were invariably called and shown the larvæ present in the well water but this was not possible when the parties resided elsewhere. If this were done in every case, it would largely reduce the amount of inspection that would be possible. It was always open to Mr. Tairsee to name one or more of the residents of the house to whom the larvæ should be shown on inspection.

It was resolved to reply to Mr. Lukhmidas Rowji Tairsee in terms of the Commissioner's report.

After transacting some more business of a routine nature the committee adjourned.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE W. S. WALKER.

The funeral of Mr. W. S. Walker, Senior Deputy Chief Engineer of the G. I. P. Railway, who died on Wednesday evening at his residence in Gool Mansions, Bombay, took place yesterday morning at Sewree. The deceased was an officer of the G. I. P. Railway Volunteers and was given a military funeral. Three volleys were fired over the grave by a firing party under the command of Captain Stokes.

A large number of Railway officials was present at the funeral, and almost all the staff of the Engineering Department attended their offices being closed for the day.

Among those present were Major Hepper, Agent, Mr. Keene, Chief Engineer, Mr. Rushton, Deputy Chief Engineer, Mr. Anderson, Chief Auditor, Mr. Rumboll, General Traffic Manager, Mr Sarjant, Loco Superintendent, Mr. Stokes, Signal and Interlocking Engineer, Messrs. Fenton and Keily, District Loco. Superintendents, Messrs. Laidlaw, Lambert and Cook, Deputy Traffic Managers, Mr Preston, Superintending Engineer Bombay Works Division Mr. Hubbard, Goods Department, Mr. Lovell, Government Inspector of Railways, Mr. Clarke, Secretary to the Agent, and several others.

MUNICIPAL BY-ELECTION.

The nominations for a seat on the Bombay Municipal Corporation for the "A" Ward caused vacant by the death of Mr. S. S. Mistry, closed last evening. Mr Byramji Rustamji Jeejeebhoy and Mr Jehangir B. Petit have been duly nominated.

COMPANY MEETING.

NEW GREAT EASTERN S. & W. CO., LIMITED.

Sir Jugmohandas Varjivandas, Chairman, presided at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the members of the New Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company Limited, which was held at the Registered Office of the Company, Yesterday, in Church Gate Street, Fort, Bombay.

It was proposed that the capital of the Company, consisting of Rs. 15 lakhs divided into 7,500 shares of Rs. 200 each, to be called ordinary shares, be increased to Rs. 23 lakhs by the creation of new shares of the total amount of Rs. 8 lakhs divided into 4,000 shares of Rs. 200 each, to be called preference shares, and that the rights, privileges and conditions following be attached to such preference shares, that is to say :—(a) The said preference shares shall confer on the holders thereof the right to a fixed cumulative preferential dividend at the rate of 5 1-2 per cent. per annum on the capital for the time being paid up thereon respectively, each year's dividend to rank for payment in priority to subsequently accruing dividends on such shares.

CURRENT EASTERN NEWS.

It is stated that the German Crown Prince intends to visit German East Africa this year to study colonial administration and to shoot big game. This visit was part of the programme of the Indian tour, but had then to be abandoned owing to lack of time.

The annual report for 1912 of Major Black, I.M.S., Chemical Examiner to the Government of the Punjab, is a gruesome record. Of the 1,950 cases which he examined during the year, human poisoning cases numbered 609, of which 339 were fatal. In the 474 human cases in which poison was detected, arsenic was used in 164, or 34 per cent., opium in 155 cases, or nearly 33 per cent., and dhatura in 58 cases or 12.23 per cent. The cattle-poisoning cases were much less numerous than those in which human beings were concerned, the total being 128 which compared with 132 in the preceding year.

According to Mr. K. D. Shroff, assistant entomologist of Burma, the cotton plant is known to suffer from the depredations of fourteen kinds of insects. Some of these cause considerable damage by diminishing the yield, and should, therefore, be classed among the major pests : appearing occasionally, obtain their nourishment from different parts of the plants ; some attack the buds end bolls and some suck the seeds, while others feed upon the leaves or upon the juices of the tissues of leaves, twig; and stems. Their attacks however, are not serious, and have slight effect on the vigorous growth of the plant.

Further particulars to hand in connection with the escape of the convict Montgomery from police custody at Ghaziabad station, show that besides Inspector F. B. Jones, of the Armed Police, Alipore, there were two other sergeants travelling in the same carriage in chage of the prisoner. Daylight had not yet broken when one of the sergeants, who had his face turned from the accused, was attracted by the sound of the opening of the carriage door. The train was then entering Ghaziabad station. The sergeant endeavoured to seize the prisoner, but the latter jumped before the sergeant could reach him. The police officer also jumped out of the train, but lost trace of the convict, who was quite familiar with the surrounding country. The police inspector then discovered that 30 G. C. Notes of Rs. 10 each were missing from the pocket of his overcoat, which was hanging within the reach of the convict, who, it is surmised, took them before jumping out of the train.

Readers of Trevelyan's "Competition Wallah" will call to mind the somewhat contemptuous terms in which that "great writer of English prose" refers to examinations as a whole. But the cult of the examination "rules the universe." There are those who view examinations as the greatest curse of our modern civilization. University and College examinations seldom give a true index to a man's intelectual capacity—at any rate in this country. How few of the hundreds of B.A.'s and M.

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Friday, 30th May, 1913.

THE NITRATE OF SOUTH AMERICA.

THE mystery of the nitrate deposits of the Pacific Coast, their origin and cause, is still unsolved, and offers a perennially interesting subject for the wildest guesses of imagination or the yet more daring theories of the fearless scientific man. The 'Riddle of the Sands' is a simple proposition in comparison. We may, on these curious formations, pursue the nitrates, find them near the surface or depths of their deposits, study the climate, the geological structure of the region that produces them; and yet we will have to acknowledge that they are beyond our reasoning, and that our laboriously acquired knowledge of the planet, the human race has inhabited and studied for thousands of years, can throw no light on them. There is nothing like the deposits in the world. They are unique. Nature must have placed them where they are in one of her pranks; for wherever the nitrate comes from, geologists hold that it did not come from the rocks that lie beneath it, for they belong to quite another age, they are of the sedimentary species, and owe many of their alterations to heat and pressure, so that searching beneath them, hopefully begun in ignorance of their history, have proved barren of results. The nitrate is clearly a modern top-dressing of Nature's own devising, absolutely useless, it is true, where it lies, for it nourishes no crop. But it is of high value as a fertiliser in soils elsewhere. It is found on or near the surface of a plateau from 4,000 to 5,000 feet high that extends from 29° south for about 450 miles to the north. The plateau is securely separated from the sea and its mists, by the Cordillera of the Andes, which rise to 7,000 feet above sea-level. Though this protection does not make the nitrate, it effectually preserves it; for, one shower of rain would destroy the treasure that is so precious for the cultivable world. There is, indeed, rarely any rain along the whole west coast of South America. The Pacific Ocean does what it can, by sending warm winds thitherward, but an icy current from the Antarctic meets and condenses them into mists that evaporate in the powerful sunshine of the region, so that to the nitrate-fields no moisture ever penetrates. Rain there would be more improbable and astonishing than an earthquake in the House of Lords.

No regular order rules the nitrate deposits. They are found here and there in patches, varying in width from a quarter of a mile to, perhaps more than three miles. Four chief fields are at present being worked; that to the north, served by the parts Pisagua and Iquique, a middle area from which Tocopilla carries off the produce, and the southern field which finds an outlet at Autofagasta. British management of the railways has secured excellent transport from the "oficinas," or factories, to the sea. But, if a visitor wants to see more distant nitrate regions, he must rough it, and may have to climb mountains of no mean height where the drinking-water supply becomes of serious moment. This curious area may be approached in many ways. If the traveller comes in a coasting steamer from Guayaquil, he will see a "panorama, sometimes of stupendous and desolate grandeur, sometimes of an infinite and waste monotony." Few signs of vegetation are visible, the headlands and cliffs are white with the 'guano' that countless sea-birds leave there. Once arrived on the fields, he would very probably, if unassisted, fail to detect the valuable deposits, for the fields look either grey or brown where they contain little nitrate, or whitish and pink, where it is in richer quantity. The Antofagasta field gets its drinking, and factory-water from the Cordillera Range through a pipe-line 500 miles long, something more extended than our Tansa main. Considerable deposits of salt and marine fossils prove that, high and dry as they now are, the fields were under water not so very long ago. Theories in great variety are advanced to account for the existence of the nitrates in Chili. One is that static electricity may have precipitated the substance out of the atmosphere, just as moisture brings down the smoke, dust, and soot of London. Once precipitated, the nitrogen was gradually covered with wind-borne sand and debris.

The fact that salt is found in the lower stratum has suggested that organic matter, some say sea-birds' 'guano' may have helped to form the field, and that it may once have been an inland sea, the nitrates coming to light through evaporation. A volcanic origin has also been hinted at, but no traces of volcanic action are discernible in the area. Even bacteria are, by some, credited with the composition of the fields, directly or indirectly. But whatever brought or evolved the nitrates, they are *in situ*, and are being used up as fast as the commercial instinct of the companies exploiting them finds expedient. The deposits are found in two distinct layers, the upper of which may be four feet thick, but the average depth is two feet. The processes that make the deposits ready for use are not very elaborate. The mass of the nitrate is quarried with the help of dynamite cartridges, is carried to the works where it is crushed by mills into coarse gravel. This is thrown into large vats, containing water holding a solution of nitrate. Steam pipes bring the contents of the vats to boiling-point, and keep them there for several hours until evaporation does its work. Considerable care is taken to get as much nitrate—and that pure—out of the gravel, as possible, for ought under 95 per cent. in what is sent to market entails a penalty. When the nitrate crystals, looking very dazzlingly white and beautiful, have formed in the vats, they are dug and scraped from the tanks and piled up to dry in the sun. All that then remains to do is to pack the nitrate into bags ready for export. The waste is shovelled aside and has been neglected hitherto. But some day, when the rich deposits threaten exhaustion they will probably go through a second trial to bring out what may have been left behind. The annual harvest of this dreary region is close on 2,500,000 tons, and is eagerly bought up as a fertiliser of the very best.

THE NICHOLSON COMMITTEE.

CAPTAIN MURRAY might have saved himself the trouble of asking his question in the Commons concerning the Nicholson Committee, if he had turned over a few pages of Parliamentary Records, and, when Mr. Montagu replied that the report would not be published at all, he merely repeated that which had been said practically a year ago. The Committee, with Field-Marshal Sir William Nicholson,—now Lord Nicholson—as its President, and Sir William Meyer, Lieutenant-Generals Sir Robert Scallon, and Sir Percy Lake, as its members, was appointed to still the clamour of those who favour retrenchment at the cost of efficiency, and was instructed to enquire into the duties, constitution, and cost of the Army in India. Considering that the Army in India had been so recently reorganised by Lord Kitchener, it was not seriously anticipated that the Committee in its recommendations could suggest any considerable change. The terms of reference were broad enough to encourage originality. They were:—(a) to carry out a comprehensive surveying of the various circumstances requiring the use of military force which may arise out of the external and internal situation of India under the conditions which now exist, or may probably arise during the next few years; (b) to consider and report on the number and constitution of the armed force which should be maintained in India to meet these obligations; and (c) to consider and report whether any, and, if so, what measures for the reduction of military expenditure are compatible with the efficient maintenance of that force. A Committee, composed as this was, could honestly make no recommendation of reduction either of men or money on the terms laid down. Several so-called forecasts of the report were published about this time last year, and the report itself was sent in last autumn, when it was formally announced that the subjects dealt with were of such a nature that it would not be in the public interest to debate the report in the House, or to make it public. The matter, having been referred to again, may lead to questions in the Council at Delhi, which will produce the assurance that the military administration of this country is as economical and efficient as is possible, consistently with "the various circumstances existing, and which may probably arise," of which the terms of reference make mention.

AN EMINENT CHINESE SCHOLAR.

THE late Sir Robert Douglas was the oldest and ablest of our few contemporary masters of Chinese lore, and was long an authority on Far Eastern affairs, on which he contributed two noteworthy papers and several books. His contribution to the *Times*, during the Chino-Japan War and the complications that followed, specially attracted notice, and were marked by a sure grasp of the new conditions that had arisen in the Far East. He had come to occupy the position of an authoritative and popular expositor of all things Chinese, a position occupied in the preceding generation by Sir John Davis, but during the last few years, owing to advancing age, he had ceased writing, making room for younger scholars like Mr. Giles and Mr. Parker. He had passed his early years in China when he was in the Consular Service throughout the eventful period of war and diplomacy that followed the famous outrage known as the Lorche Arrow affair of Governor Bowring. He was for a time attached as an interpreter to the staff, in Peking, of General Staveley, who later became Commander-in-Chief of the Bombay Army. His Chinese period of service also included the suppression of the Taiping rebellion by Gordon. But soon after this he retired, in 1865, as he was appointed to a congenial post at the British Museum, where he took charge of the Chinese and Japanese libraries and passed more than forty years there till his retirement at seventy, in 1907. He had risen to be Keeper of all Oriental Printed Books and MSS., and compiled an excellent catalogue of the Chinese and Japanese Books and MSS., in the museum which cost him nearly a quarter of a century's hard work. This and other similar works gave him rank as an accomplished bibliographer. He took a leading part in organising the International Congress of Orientalists and was its secretary when it held its sitting in London, in 1874, afterwards representing England at its St. Petersburg sitting. In addition to his duties at the British Museum he was for thirty-five years professor of Chinese at King's College, London, till its amalgamation recently with the University of London, and he did much for the knowledge of the Chinese language and literature among Englishmen, publishing books to help their study. On the religious and social life of China, too, he has published several important books, and wrote the lucid treatise on that country in the present and the preceding editions of the Encyclopædia Britannica. He had a graceful and easy style which rendered his books very readable, and his place as a popular as well as scholar will be rather hard to fill.

MADRAS AND ITS HOSPITAL.

BOMBAY is not alone in India in desiring a new site for its hospital. Madras also has considered the same question, and, while there does not seem to be quite as much agreement on the subject as there is in Bombay, the two cities are alike in this that the matter has for long been prominent, and little progress is visible. It is now five years since the proposal was made in Madras to move the General Hospital as well as the Medical College to Spur Tank at Egmore, the main objection to the present site apparently being lack of room. A committee was appointed to investigate the question, and eventually it decided by a large majority, that the present building might be improved and reorganised, so that a change of site was unnecessary. The improvements and reorganisation, however, have never been made, though various proposals were under consideration till so late as March last. Now Government has announced that it does not regard the question of removal as dead yet, and it has appointed another committee to consider the advantages and disadvantages of the Egmore site, as well as any others, which may suggest themselves. The Egmore site, it appears, is not entirely popular on account of its distance, and it is suggested that, if it is adopted, it may be advisable to have a small hospital in the city itself. However, whatever is to be done, it is to be hoped that this committee will be able to make a final decision; for present hospital arrangements are evidently unsatisfactory, and the progress of medical education is hindered pending a settlement of the question.

LORD AVEBURY AND LONDON UNIVERSITY.

AMONG the many interests, which the late Lord Avebury succeeded in crowding into his life, his connection with London University was one which he treasured, and one which—as is recorded in another column—he maintained until his death. During mail week he, of course, was too ill to be able to attend an important gathering in connection with the University, but he wrote warmly sympathising with the resentment, which is felt at what is regarded as a serious attack upon the University's functions. The occasion was the annual dinner of the University of London Graduates' Association, and the after-dinner speeches were devoted to the condemnation by the Royal Commission of the external side of the University. Lord Avebury wrote that he regarded the external student as the salt of the earth, and Sir William Collins, from the chair, reading a defence of this class of student, described the Commissioners' report as a doctrinaire essay, and pleaded for the continuance of those features, which, he said, have made the University of London in the past the heritage, which has been bequeathed to the present generation. He lauded the imperial scope of its work, its open door, its freedom from fetters, and its promise of the best teaching in the world for London. The external degree, he claimed, stood for intellectual attainment and not mere social opportunity—an ideal of education, which could be stoutly defended. Sir Philip Magnus, who has succeeded Lord Avebury in the representation of the University, evidently shares his views, and further he and others appear to hold a strong opinion that the Commission's scheme will have no chance of being adopted by Parliament.

THE Bank of Bombay yesterday reduced its rate of interest on demand loans and Government Paper to 6 per cent.

THE P. and O. Company's s. s. "Salsette," with the homeward mails of the 24th instant, arrived at Aden at 10 p. m., on Wednesday.

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THE manager of the local branch of the Russo-Asiatic Bank is in receipt of telegraphic advice to the effect that after making due provision for reserves and other funds, a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum has been declared for the year ended 13th January, 1913.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, May 9.

THE ROYAL ACADEMY.

The Queen, Queen Alexandra, Princess Victoria, the Duchess of Albany, Prince and Princess Alexander of Teck, Princess Louis of Battenberg, and other members of the Royal Family paid a private visit yesterday afternoon to the Royal Academy, attended by members of their respective suites. They were received by the President, Secretary, and other representatives, of the Academy, and were conducted to the galleries, where they spent about an hour inspecting the pictures on view. There is an appropriate note of humility in the motto chosen for the 145th exhibition of the Royal Academy: "Accuse not Nature, she hath done her part. Do thou but thine"; and never, perhaps, was humility more needed than on the present occasion, when one would feel inclined to replace Milton's exhortation by Dante's famous inscription on the gates of the Inferno "Ye, who enter here, leave all hope behind ye." The Royal Academy of 1913, which is open to the public to-day, belongs to the last, and not to the present century. The re-actionary academic mind has triumphed; the walls of Burlington House have been padded anew to exclude the faint echo of joyous life which had begun to enter from the outside world. The doors are barred once more to progress and to the spirit of adventure. We are forcibly precipitated back to the days of Queen Victoria—to an Academy of a quarter of a century ago. This is no exaggeration; there are whole walls at Burlington House that might have been there in the 'eighties or 'nineties with the sole difference that they lack the distinction then bestowed upon them by the presence of Watts and Orchardson, Leighton and Millais.

ART IN AN OFFICIAL PICTURE.

However, wonderful as are Mr. Sargent's little glimpses of Spanish life—the cloistered court of the "Hospital at Granada," with the southern sun cruelly shining upon the wretched patients, as though rejoicing in the exposure of such suffering; the "Spanish Gipsies," in all their swarthy picturesqueness, encamped in front of a smoke stained cave; and the amazing study of "Weavers," whose forms and implements only detach themselves when your eyes, dazzled by the glaring sunlight beyond, have become accustomed to the semi-obscurity of the barn-like interior—it is not the Anglo-American master who dominates this year's Academy, but Mr. John Lavery, the painter of the great Royal Family group "T. M. the King and Queen, the Prince of Wales, and the Princess Mary, Buckingham Palace, 1913," which is destined to find a permanent home at the National Portrait Gallery. Unlike the other royal or "official" portraits that have been seen for three decades or more in places of honour on these walls—unlike Mr. Cope's "H.M. the King" and Mr. Llewellyn's "Her Majesty the Queen," both painted for the United Service Club, and both to be seen in the same room as typical examples of their kind—Mr. Lavery's group needs no apology, unless the mentioning of the obvious fact that the faces are as yet unfinished be taken as such. Mr. Lavery has succeeded where all others have failed. He has painted an "official" picture that hold its own triumphantly as a work of art. The responsibility of his difficult task did not make him falter for a moment. He approached his subject as Valazquez would have approached it. He never lost sight of the pictorial unity of the large canvas. The portraits have all the dignity associated with the exalted rank of the sitters. But this dignity depends upon human attributes, and not upon the trappings of royal state.

FAME AT A BOUND.

But what of the outsiders? Their successes are but few and far between. And they shine in modest places. Talent of a rare order appears on a screen in the Water Colour Room. If it is at all gratifying to so obviously sincere and modest a man as Mr. Archibald Barnes to learn that his "Juno in London," his first exhibit at the Academy, is thought sufficient to make him famous, it is a pleasure more profound to speak of this work. That, with so little apparent labour, such beauty of form and masterly flesh painting can be achieved, is amazing. The gorgeous, strong, and lissom female figure, clean and pure, and of palest flesh colour, is made enchanting by the white sheet draped behind it, and its freshness enhanced by the precious spot of copper in the auburn hair, the mauve azaleas in the white and blue, bowl and the dark background.

THE STORY OF FINANCE.

It does not take long for visitors to the Royal Academy to decide on the pictures they like best. The critics may tell them what they ought to like, but only such pictures as make a popular appeal become the favourites of the year. Yesterday the rooms were thronged, but the long processions always halted at four pictures. First is the large picture of the Royal Family by Mr. Lavery. Three others grip the attention: "Finance," by Mr. Edgar Bundy; "Out of It," by Mr. Alfred Priest; and "A Fallen Idol," by Mr. John Collier. Of these "Finance" attracts most attention; it may become the most-talked-of picture of the year. It depicts a long dinner table laden with costly silver, luxurious food, and wine and lit by red shaded lights. Dinner is over and conversation has begun. A young man with cigarette in hand sits on one side of the table; opposite are five Jews; while a sixth stands lighting a cigarette and glancing towards the young man. The crude display of wealth and the strained, keen expressions on the faces of the Jews, all turned on the young man are wonderfully realistic. "Out of It" is a simple, but expressive picture of a woman in evening dress lying beneath some bushes. The closed eyes and the face drawn and stiff have a strange fascination. "What does it mean" exclaimed one woman as she raised her lorgnette. "Oh, she's dead, can't you see?" replied her friend. "Oh, of course, how clever!" Mr. Collier's "Fallen Idol" shows a wife kneeling beside her husband with head buried in her hands. He looks straight in front of him deep in thought. The stiffness of the figures does not suggest a crisis, though one has obviously arrived.

DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT.

It was with something like consternation that we heard that serious complication had arisen in the case of the Duchess of Connaught, necessitating a second operation on Tuesday morning, nineteen days after the first, from which she seemed to be making such a splendid recovery. The greatest sympathy has gone out to the Duke of Connaught, and to Princess Patricia and Prince Arthur, in this sad renewal of their anxieties and towards the courageous and Royal invalid herself, who has undergone so much suffering with the greatest fortitude and patience. Although the strength of the Duchess has been so sorely tried, it is fairly well maintained, but some days must necessarily elapse before all anxiety is over. The Duke and his son and daughter are much comforted by the arrival of Princess Margaret, the Crown Princess of Sweden, with her husband and four children at Clarence House. The latter, I hear, have been sent to Bagshot, where they will remain, at all events for the present, until the Duchess is much better. It had always been planned for the Swedish Crown Prince and Princess to come over just before the 1st of May, and they were more than ever anxious to be on the spot when they received a telegram announcing the necessity for another operation. May Day, you know, is the birthday of the Duke of Connaught, and he had many messages of congratulation, but naturally passed a very quiet day. The Queen with Princess Mary went to Clarence house to see the Duke, and learn the latest news of the Duchess, and at the same time offered him their best wishes for his birthday. Queen Alexandra with Princess Victoria and Prince Valdemar also paid the Duke a visit.

BEING ENGAGED.

The age of engagement is a gloriously selfish one—perhaps the most selfish of all woman's seven ages. She and another being are all the world—no one else counts. When everything is considered, however, I think it is only fair and right that an engaged girl should be selfish. During every other age, a woman has to be unselfish—when she's a child she's always giving in to other children and elders, and when she's a mother she has to give in to her own children. So I think it would be horribly unfair to try and reform the engaged couple of their selfishness. Let them be selfish for a few halcyon months—it won't last very long! The engaged girl's one idea is "Him"—to the entire and utter neglect of the rest of the world from that unforgettable rapturous moment when he takes her in his arms for the first time and kisses her warmly, she gives herself entirely up to him. When she isn't thinking about him, she's thinking about herself, as a wife, a keeper of the house, a holder of monthly "At Homes," and a ruler of servants.

ALL FOR HIM.

But if the engaged girl is selfish to the world, she is remarkably unselfish to the man she is engaged to. She will cheerfully do without new hats that she may save enough money to buy the very best linen for the house he is going to furnish; she will forgive him as many times as he chooses to be unpunctual; she will put up with all sorts of ridicule and teasing from her family, she will defend him whatever he says and does, she will go labourously through courses of laundry and cookery and housekeeping for his sake in the married future, she will study Euclid and Greek, and read Hill and Huxley, if he has leanings in any of these directions, and she will refuse the most alluring invitations to gain a few more minutes of his society. So unselfish is the engaged girl where "he" is concerned that married women shake their heads and say, "She's making herself a perfect slave to him—won't she have a spoilt husband to put up with!" quite forgetting that they very probably did just the same.

AN AGE OF THRILLS.

Engagement time is one of thrills—and shocks and experiences—it is life's most enthralling switchback ride. From the giddy joyous heights of delight and happiness the engaged girl may in a moment be dashed to utter darkness and gloom of despair. He may say what seems a cruel word to her, and the sun at once goes behind a cloud and blackness comes into her soul. At such times her family usually suffer more than she does! Occasionally he will use some unexpectedly lovely term of endearment, and she flies up to high pinnacles of bliss on which she remains for many sunny days. An old lady used to say to me, "Now don't be in a hurry to get married! engagement time is the most exciting time of your life." This certainly is true—it is an exciting time! It's like travelling in a new and altogether unvisited country—every day is a day of surprise and wonder and anticipation; there's no knowing when something interesting is going to happen!

THE CORRECT FEELINGS.

Of course, no two engaged girls are alike, for being engaged affects every one in a different manner. I have known girls go through this age as calmly and unexcitedly as an afternoon tea party, but such girls would be calm and unexcited in a railway collision or a general election. Most girls are as different when they're engaged from their previous selves as the domestic tabby is from the hyæna. That first kiss on that first night (for, all self-respecting couples get engaged in the dim mystic evening time) throws some magic over them that changes them entirely. They hold their heads much higher—the engaged girl is a person of importance. As she walks along the street of her native town, with a proud smile of victory on her lips, she feels like a queen who has just been crowned. When she meets a friend, she is brimming over with cheerfulness, and nothing, not even a deluge of rain on her best hat, could make her miserable! Her friends notice the change, and if they have seen how events have been moving, soon guess the reason. That first morning is a long triumphal procession. Congratulations are showered on her on all sides, like a general returning home from a successful campaign, and all kinds of nice things are said of him and her. Even people with whom she was only on bowing acquaintance stop her to ask if the news they have heard is true and how pleased they are, and her sisters and brothers gather round the lunch table in a state of great indignation, because every one they have met had nothing else to say but "Is it true Ethel is engaged? my sincere congratulations to her!"

THE BALKAN TANGLE.

WILL THE ALLIES GO TO WAR?

SIGNS OF MORE MODERATE INTENTIONS.

TURKEY GROWS RESTIVE UNDER DELAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 28.

It is understood that both Greece and Servia have received ample assurances that they will be admitted to the councils of Europe to defend their special claims when details come to be examined. Hence, it is expected that they will make no further difficulties in connection with the signature of the Treaty of Peace.

Bulgaria's readiness to sign is interpreted in Home quarters, as dictated by a desire to free herself by peace with Turkey and to deal with Servia and Greece. The situation in that respect is regarded with much anxiety. The military party in Bulgaria is very strong, and is confident of the ability of Bulgaria to overthrow the remaining Allies combined.

Reuter learns that the Servian and Bulgarian Premiers have arranged to meet at the frontier on Saturday, to confer on the situation. It is hoped that an amicable settlement will thus be reached.

LONDON, May 29.

Though the possibilities of war among the Balkan States are anxiously discussed, the firmness of Sir Edward Grey has deeply impressed Greece and Servia. It is expected that both these countries will sign the peace preliminaries to-morrow.

STATEMENT OF SERVIAN ATITTUDE.

BELGRADE, May 29.

M. Pasics, the Servian Premier, made a statement in the Chamber yesterday, on the subject of the relations between Servia and Bulgaria. Servia, he said, asked Bulgaria last February to revise the secret treaty between Servia and Bulgaria, in accordance with the unexpected developments of the war, and not to allow the Powers to intervene in the division of conquests. But Bulgaria refused to negotiate on the subject. Servia has recently renewed her overtures and he hoped that these would be received in a friendly spirit. A clause in the Serb-Bulgarian Treaty gave Servia by the Treaty. Servia had thus been compelled to raise a supplementary force of a hundred thousand troops, and she had also sent a park of modern siege artillery, which the Bulgarians did not possess. Servia was offered the whole of the Vardar Valley with Salonika, if she voluntarily abandoned her claim regarding the Adriatic. An outlet on the Adriatic, and her dispossession of this by the Powers entitled her to compensation at the hands of Bulgaria. Moreover, the events of the war had made it desirable for Servia to have a common frontier with Greece, so as to secure access to Salonika. Bulgaria, further, by demanding Adrianople and the region east of it had prolonged the war. She had asked for Servia's help, and the latter had sent troops to Thrace, though she was not required to do so.

The situation is considered to be serious in Belgrade. All officers have been recalled from leave, and the railways have been reserved for military purposes.

The general opinion is that Bulgaria will assent to a revision.

SOFIA, May 29.

The statement of M. Pasics has created a bad impression here, but it is hoped that the meeting between M. Pasics and M. Guechoff, the Bulgarian Premier, on Saturday, will relieve the situation.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 29.

It is noteworthy that the *Tanin* and other newspapers are publishing articles recommending the Government to be vigilant, and hinting that Turkey may not remain impassive in the event of a war among the Balkan States.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR SIGNING.

LONDON, May 29.

The Bulgarians will sign the Treaty of Peace as is stands, to-morrow. The Greeks and Servians will sign it after approving the conventions which are to be embodied in it. The Bulgarians declined to take part in a meeting held by the Greeks and Servians, this afternoon, to discuss these conventions, as the Bulgarians did not desire further differences or delay.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, May 29.

The *Pioneer's* London correspondent cables :—The *Times*, referring to the dissensions among the Allies, mentions that some of them have been making advances to the Turks, and says that contingencies are conceivable in which the Turkish politicians of a certain school might hearken to these solicitations and again go to war, as the Allies of some of their lately confederated foes against one or more of the rest.

ASIATIC TURKEY.

EUROPEAN TO SUPERVISE REFORMS.

LONDON, May 28.

It appears that confidential communications have been passing between Turkey and several Powers, including Great Britain and Germany, regarding the introduction of reforms in Asiatic Turkey, with a view to the appointment of a European to advise on and supervise the reforms. Lord Milner's name has been mentioned in this connection, but all information on the subject is withheld.

CRICKET AT HOME.

LONDON, May 28.

Lancashire beat Leicestershire, at Manchester, by 292 runs.

Kent beat Somersetshire at Catford Bridge, by 354 runs.

Gloucestershire beat Notts at Gloucester, by nine wickets.

Warwickshire beat Hampshire by 64 runs at Southampton.

Northamptonshire beat Cambridge University, at Cambridge, by ten wickets.

JAPAN'S AMBITION.

VOYAGE OF UNITED STATES' FLEET.

TO IMPRESS HER WITH ITS POWER.

LONDON, May 29.

During the hearing of Mr. Roosevelts' suit, yesterday, Mr. O'Laughlin, formerly his Assistant Secretary of State, incidentally stated that Mr. Roosevelt ordered the Fleet to go round the world in order to prevent war.

It was perfectly evident that Japan would not go to war if America was plainly the more powerful, and this was the measure Mr. Roosevelt took to prevent war.

SIR STUART SAMUEL.

ILLEGAL VOTING FOR EIGHTEEN DAYS.

LONDON, May 28.

Mr. Justice Scrutton found that illegal voting on the part of Sir Stuart Samuel for eighteen days had been proved, but said that prior writs by two other common informers barred the recovery of the penalty by Mr. Forbes. Moreover, the plaintiff's pleadings cited the wrong statute. The other informers had pleaded the same statute. If he had allowed the plaintiff to amend the pleadings, he would have given him priority over the others, All were asking for penalties, which were excessive, and they could not expect assistance from the Court.

Judgment was given for Sir Stuart Samuel with costs; but, as for four days the hearing was largely occupied with innumerable objections by the defence, on which the defendant failed, the costs would be as for two days.

GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

YOUNG AMERICAN'S DANGEROUS FORM.

LONDON, May 28.

Four Englishmen, three Scotsmen, of whom the most prominent are Mr. H. Hilton and Mr. Robert Harris, and a youthful American, Mr. Heinrich Schmidt (Massachusetts), compete in the sixth round of the Amateur Golf Championship at St. Andrew's to-day. Mr. Schmidt, whom rumour credits with working his way between America and England in a cattle-boat, in order to play in the Championship, has been defeating his opponents in the easiest fashion. He is regarded as dangerous.

Play yesterday was less interesting, owing to the previous defeats of the champions. The chief match was Mr. Hilton's defeat of Mr. Gillies, the holder of the St. George's Vase, at the nineteenth hole.

THE SUGAR CONVENTION.

NO CHANGE IN TREATMENT OF BRITISH PRODUCE.

BRUSSELS, May 28.

Britain having undertaken in spite of her withdrawal from the sugar convention on September 1st. to make no change in her treatment of sugar, which would be prejudicial to the other members of the convention, without six months' notice, the International Commission has decided to continue the present treatment of British sugar and sugar products.

AMERICAN TARIFF.

DIFFERENCE TO FOREIGN OBJECTIONS.

WASHINGTON, May 29.

Mr. Bryan has intimated that he considers that the five per cent. preferential clause in the Tariff, in favour of American shipping, is unquestionably a violation of Treaty obligations. It is believed that the other administrative features of the Tariff, to which exception is taken abroad, will be eliminated.

FRENCH BANK FOR CHINA.

LONDON, May 29.

The prospectus has been issued for the formation in France of a Banque Industrielle de China, with a capital of forty-five million francs. The Chinese Republic subscribes one-third, and promises to assist the bank in the development of the natural resources of China.

SENATOR SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT.

ALBANY, May 28.

Mr. Stilwell, chairman of the Codes Committee of the New York State and Senate, who was convicted of bribery in connection with the Stock Exchange reform legislation, has been sentenced to imprisonment for a minimum of four and a maximum of eight years.

THE TSAR'S TOUR.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 29.

The Tsar, Tsaritsa and family have left for a tour through Vladimic, Nijni, Novgorod, Moscow and other cities.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

PARIS, May 29.

Six persons have been killed and many injured by an explosion at a dynamite factory at Port Vendee.

AVIATOR KILLED.

HANOVER, May 28.

The aviator, Horn, was killed, while flying near Burgwedel to-day.

CHESTERTON CASE.

MR. HERBERT SAMUEL'S EVIDENCE.

MINISTERS' VIEW OF AMERICAN PURCHASE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 28.

Mr. Herbert Samuel's evidence in the 'Chesterton libel case' mostly covered old ground. Mr. Samuel declared that the suggestion that he carried through the contract with the Marconi Company secretly for the purpose of benefitting his brother and Sir Rufus Isaacs was a wicked falsehood and a most childish statement.

Consel for the defence closely questioned Mr. Samuel with regard to his statement in the House of Commons that neither he nor his colleagues "ever held shares directly or indirectly in this company," while he knew that three members of the Government had been dealing in American 'Marconis'.

Mr. Samuel explained that his colleagues regarded the purchase of American 'Marconis' as irrelevant.

THREE YEARS' SERVICE.

ANOTHER SOCIALIST ATTACK.

PARIS, May 28.

After a debate on the credit for the retention with the colours of men due to be released, which was marked by heated opposition on the part of the Socialists, M. Barthou concluded an eloquent defence of the proposals by declaring that he upheld the liberty of discussion on military proposals in Parliament, but not elsewhere.

"It is our liberty," he said, "our right in Parliament, but in barracks it is revolt, it is revolution."

LATEST BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, May 29.

The result of the Altringham by-election, necessitated by the resignation of Mr. Kebty-Fletcher, is as follows :—

Hamilton .....Unionist	9,409
The Hon. L. Kay-Shuttleworth .....Liberal	8,147
Unionist majority	1,262

No change.

The result of the last election was:—

J. R. Kebty-Fletcher (U)	8,002
Sir W. J. Crossley (L)	7,883
Unionist majority	119

KING AND QUEEN REACH HOME.

LONDON, May 28.

The King and Queen arrived at Port Victoria this afternoon. A naval biplane escorted the yacht to the Harbour.

LONDON, May 29.

The King and Queen arrived in London yesterday, and received welcome from huge crowds.

CURRENCY COMMISSION.

LONDON, May 29.

It has been now definitely decided to hold all the meetings of the Chamberlain Commission here. At the first sitting on Tuesday, Mr Lionel Abrahams, Assistant Unter-Secretary, India Office, gave evidence, which will be continued to-morrow. The sitting of the Commission will hereafter be held on Thursdays and Fridays.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, May 29.

The following press communique has been issued in the Finance Department, The Royal Commission on Indian Finance and Currency have decided that the question of the coinage of gold in India, and the establishment of a State Bank fall within their terms of reference. The commission hope that they will hear in London representatives of all branches of Indian opinion, and they do not propose to visit India.

SALAR-ED-DOWLEH.

TEHERAN, May 29.

Salar-ed-Dowleh has seized the Custom-House at Meshed-i-Ser. The Russian Consul at Astrabad has been instructed to employ Russian troops to protect the customs at Bunder Gez and Meshed-i-Ser. Four hundred Bakhtiaris will be sent against Salar-ed-Dowleh.

AUSTRIAN NAVAL RESERVE.

VIENNA, May 28.

The Naval reservists of the 1905 and 1906 classes will be permanently disbanded in the next few days.

THE MIKADO'S ILLNESS.

LONDON, May 28.

The general improvement in the condition of the Mikado is maintained.

DUTCH PRINCE-CONSORT.

THE HAGUE, May 28.

Prince Henry of the Netherlands has concluded his cure in the Taunus Mountains, and is returning to Holland in excellent health.

APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

LONDON, May 29.

The Appellate Jurisdiction Bill has passed its second reading in the House of Commons by 296 votes to 20.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, May 29.

The death is announced of Major-General Lorn Campbell, colonel of the 38th Dogras.

LORD AVEBURY.

DEATH OF RENOWNED SCIENTIST.

A FRIEND OF THE WORKING CLASSES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 28.

The death is announced of Lord Avebury.

[Lord Avebury, first baron, was better known to the public as Sir John Lubbock, fourth baronet. Born in London in 1834, he was educated at Eton, and afterwards took up the family profession of banking. In due time he became head of the firm of Robarts Lubbock and Co. and for twenty-five years he was secretary to the London Bankers. He was also first president of the Institute of Bankers, chairman of the London Bankers, president of the Central Association of Bankers, and from 1888 to 1893, president of the London Chamber of Commerce.

Lord Avebury was principally known, however, for his great public labours and his rank as a scientist. For many years he was regarded as among the first of British scientists, and he did much to popularise the study of Natural History. He was also prominent as an antiquarian, and traced to the dawn of the Bronze Age the beginnings of those mysterious megalithic structures at Avebury in Wiltshire (whence he took his title), which are second in importance only to those at Stonehenge. As a public man he held a seat in the House of Commons for thirty years consecutively, and there he took a particular interest in educational and financial questions and in the provision of holidays for the masses. Such legislation as the 'Shop Hours' Act' is mainly due to his exertions. He represented Maidstone from 1870-1880, and then from 1880 until 1900, when he became a peer, he was member for the University of London. During his Parliamentary career, he served on Royal Commissions on the advancement of science, on public schools, on International coinage, on gold and silver, and on education. He was also chairman of the committee, which selected designs for the present coinage, vice-chairman of the London County Council in 1889-1890, and chairman from 1890 to 1892.

He received many marks of distinction from learned and scientific societies, both British and foreign. At the time of his death he was president of the Society of Antiquaries, of the Sociological Society and of the Royal Microscopical Society. He was president of the British Society in its Jubilee Year, 1881, and also had been president of the Entomological Society, the Ethnological Society, the Linnaean Society, the Anthropological Society, the Ray Society, the Statistical Society, and the African Society. He was once chosen as vice-president of the Royal Society and he was first president of the International Institute of Sociology, in 1894, and had been president of the International Association of Prehistoric Archaeology, the International Association of Zoology and the International Library Association. He was an hon. member of many foreign societies, was foreign secretary of the Royal Academy and a year or two ago was appointed by the French Academy of Science to be one of its correspondents. Other positions which he had occupied were vice-chancellor of the University of London, 1872—80, principal of the London Working Men's College, and president of the London University Extension Society. He was a Privy Councillor, a fellow of the Royal Society and a deputy-lieutenant. He was a Commander of the Legion of Honour, and a member of the German Ordre pour le Merite.

He was twice married, first in 1856 to Ellen, only child of the Rev. Peter Hordern of Chorlton-cum-Hardy (who died in 1879), and second, in 1884, to Alice Augusta Laurentia, daughter of the late Gen. A. A. L. Fox-Pitt-Rivers. He had five sons and four daughters, and he is succeeded by the Hon. John B. Lubbock.]

NICHOLSON COMMISSION.

LONDON, May 28.

Replying to a supplementary question of Captain Murray, in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Montagu said that the Nicholson Commission's report would not be published at all.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

ALLAHABAD, May 29.

Replying to Capt. Murray to-day, Mr. Montagu said that there would be no publication of the Nicholson Commission report, and no opportunity in the Parliament, of discussing the recommendations which were exclusively a matter for the Government of India. The secrecy of the report will be the subject of further questions.

It is understood that a selection of the official witnesses in India to appear before the Royal Commission on Indian Finance will be shortly made.

A NEW JUDGE.

LONDON, May 28.

Mr. J. R. Atkin, K.C., has been appointed an additional judge of the King's Bench Division.

Lord Justice Farwell has resigned his position on account of ill-heath.

[Mr. Justice Atkin was born in 1867, the eldest son of the late Mr. Robert Travers Atkin, of Fernhill, Cork. He was called to the Bar in 1891, and was a member of the South Wales Circuit. He has been a member of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland and Colonial Treasurer. He became a K. C. in 1906.]

"Incandescent Gas" is one of the healthiest and most economical systems of lighting"—The LANCET (the leading Medical Journal in the United Kingdom).

BOREGAON TRIAL.

CASE OF TELEGRAPH OFFICIAL.

IMPORTANT EVIDENCE BY MR. CAMPBELL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

AKOLA, May 29.

The trial of Telegraph Inspector Collins was resumed to-day, before Major Plowden. Mr. Campbell, Telegraph Superintendent, was recalled and further examined by the Court. He said that, when the section between two stations was blocked, the handle of the instrument of dispatching always remained at horizontal right, and that of the receiving station at horizontal left. When handles remained in that position, the line was blocked against the entrance of any other train. If Katepurna had received a train from Murtizapur, the station master at Katepurna would first clear the section to Murtizapur, before blocking the section for Boregaon. Explaining the "clearing back" process, witness said, "after the station master at Katepurna has been handed the ball by the guard, and the guard and station master have signed, in columns ten and twelve respectively, in the block register, the station master places the ball in the instrument connected with Murtizapur, turns his handle down from horizontal left to vertical, and gives the "call attention" signal to Murtizapur. On Murtizapur acknowledging that signal, the station master of Katepurna gives the "train out of section" signal to Murtizapur, and the latter acknowledges that signal with beats—one pause and four beats. The Katepurna station master then holds his plunger, until he sees the galvanometer needle fly from the stop pin, and come back again. On receipt of a prolonged beat from Katepurna, Murtizapur turns his handle from the horizontal right to the vertical, and when he sees his galvanometer needle come to the vertical, showing that Katepurna has released his plunger, the Murtizapur station master gives one beat to show that his handle has come to the vertical. Katepurna, seeing his needle deflecting to the right hand stop-pin, knows that the Murtizapur handle has been put to the vertical. The process is now complete and the section cleared." The process for passing on a train to Boregaon, the witness explained, would be as follows :—"Katepurna first gives the "call attention" signal to Boregaon. On an acknowledgment of this signal from Boregaon, by one beat, the Katepurna given signal "is line clear for tranship goods." The Boregaon station master enters the time of receipt of this signal in column two of his block register, and initials in column three as authority for giving "line is clear" signal. Katepurna then gives "obstruction danger signal" to Boregaon and Boregaon acknowledges with the same beats. Katepurna then holds his plunger till he sees his needle fly from and return to the stop-pin, showing that Baregaon has turned his handle horizontal left. Then Boregaon sees his needle come to the vertical, showing that Katepurna has raleased his plunger. Boregaon holds in his plunger till he sees the galvanometer needle fly from and return to the stop-pin, showing that Katepurna has turned the handle to the horizontal right. The stage has now been reached at which Katepurna has been able to extract the ball for the Katepurna-Boregaon section. The ball is then made over to the guard, who is responsible for its safe delivery to the driver. On the train leaving the station, Katepurna again gives the "call attention" signal to Boregaon, and on Boregaon acknowledging this signal, he gives Boregaon the "train entering section" signal by three beats. Boregaon acknowledges this signal with one beat, pause, three beats, and the process of despatching train to Boregaon is now complete."

Mr. Campbell continuing said that when the goods train reached Boregaon clearing, the block process as already described should have taken place. Uuder the process, if properly carried out, the turning of the handle of the instrument of the despatching station from horizontal right to vertical, was the last step but one, the final step being the giving of one beat to show Boregaon that the Katepurna handle had been turned from horizontal right to vertical. The defect in the Boregaon side of the instrument at Katepurna only enabled the operator at Katepurna to turn his handle from horizontal right to vertical without the co-operation of Boregaon which was not the process for obtaining a ball. Witness could only acconut for the second ball being obtained at Katepurna by assuming that whatever signals were exchanged Katepurna owing to the defect was able to come down to vertical and any current from Boregaon with the Boregaon handle to horizontal left would enable Katepurna to move his handle back to horizontal right and obtain a second ball

A normal lock, with its adjustments in order could not be unlocked by means of jerking, but it could be possible in case of a worn lock, that it might be slipped past, by jerking the handle. The lock in the defective instrument was not a worn lock in that sense. As Maintenance Staff had not been paying sufficient attention to the testing of the locking mechanism witness had issued a circular urging them to do so.

Atmaram Pandurang, Assistant Station Master, was then recalled and examined by the Court.

Q.—Are you in the habit of interfering with handles before obtaining a current from stations on either side? A.—No sir.

Q.—When the running time of a train has arrived do you go to the handle and see if it turns?—No.

Witness proceeding said the failure that he reported in the instrument on the 28th was failure of the down side instrument.

Cross-examined, witness said, when he received "train out of section" signal, for the goods train he went through the proper blocking process with Boregaon for a passenger train. He gave Boregaon "train entering section" signal for the passenger train, which was acknowledged by Boregaon. Witness did not receive the "train out of section" signal from Boregaon for the passenger train.

Q.—Then how did you get your handle to vertical? A.—I turned the handle without getting "train out of section" signal from Boregaon.

(Continued on page 6.)

THE RAILWAY STRIKE.

TRAINS RUNNING BY POONA-BELGAUM ROUTE.

STRIKE IN B. B. & C. I. WORK-SHOPS.

ALLEGED THREATS OF VIOLENCE.

Every hour the situation on the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway is becoming more serious. The whole system is practically disorganised.

The suggestion made by the M and S. M. Railway to carry the mails over the Bangalore and Poona route has been accepted and the Presidency Postmater, Bombay, has issued the following notice :—

Owing to the strike on the Madras and Southern Maratha Railways, Mails for Bangalore, Madras and stations south of Raichur, will be closed at the General Post Office at 2 p.m. and will travel via Poona, Hubli and Bangalore.

Mails from the places named above will also be diverted and received in Bombay by the same route.

So far as the G. I. P. Railway is concerned, there is no change in the situation except the change in the scheduled times of the trains in consequence of the new route adopted, as notified by the postal authorities.

No passengers or goods are being booked by the G. I. P. Railway beyond Raichor.

On enquiry being made at the G. I. P. Railway, Victoria Terminus our representative was informed that a through train from Madras arrived in Bombay at 7-20 p m. yesterday. This supplementary mail brought mail parcels and about eleven passengers. The train between Madras and Raichur was worked by the officer's of the M. and S.M. Railway. The Assistant Locor Superintendent acting the driver while the Assistant Traffic Superintendent carried out the duty of the guard.

This morning the Overland Mail Express was to be run as far as Poona, from which station the M. and S. M. was to take the mails to Madras via Belgaum section. But that arrangement has been cancelled and the mail express will be run as far as Wadi Junction so that the Madras mail bags may be transhipped from Poona and the Hyderabad mails may be taken further from Wadi junction.

The Poona-Belgaum section so far shows no signs of trouble at all. The men on that section have been quite loyal up to now.

Another special train has started from Madras and is expected in Bombay at 6 p. m. to-day.

Mr. Rogers, General Secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, interviewed by our representative yesterday afternoon, said that he expected general strike on the B. B. and C. I. system at any moment.

He did not expect any trouble on the G. I. P. Railway. Mr. Rogers added, however, that did not mean that men on that line would ever work in place of those of the M. and S. M. Railway.

"Contrary to all rules," Mr. Rogers said, "the Bombay mail train, I am informed, arrived at Gooty to-day without "line nclear."

Public safety had been considerably jeopardised. Mr. Rogers continued, as three accidents had been averted. The collisions would have been very disastrous. Asked if any further detailed information had been received, Mr. Rogers shewed our representative a big pile of telegrams.

He said he had received news of a serious incident which occurred on Wednesday night. The up Delhi express was travelling with merely paper authority to proceed cautiously, signed by a Traffic Inspector, when it was discovered that a down express, with legal line clear, was travelling on the same line, towards the up express. The trains fortunately came to a standstill some three quarters of a mile apart, about two miles from Settigunta.

A driver passed the Vyaserpady signals and Basin Bridge signals, it was reported, although they were at danger, without authority with the up express. On the 28th the guard refused to give any authority, to pass signals which were at danger, and the driver was said to have taken the responsibility upon himself, thus endangering public life.

The Postal Union of Bombay have telegraphed their congratulations to the strikers at Madras, and the Indian Telegraph Association, Bombay, have also expressed their sympathy with the movement.

It is said that the block-signallers at Perambore are being forcibly ejected from railway quarters by the police, and this is said to be aggravating the situation.

Mr. Rogers further stated that there was no truth in the statement appearing in the Madras telegrams to the Press, that the Katpadi and Bitragunta station staffs had resumed work.

All the travelling ticket collectors on the M. and S. M. iine had gone on strike, Mr. Rogers concluded, and the situation was more gloomy than ever; but the men on strike were well supplied with funds.

B. B. & C. I. STRIKE.

The strike in the B. B. and C. I. Railway Parel Workshops assumed a more serious aspect yesterday morning, and as about 5,000 men were out, the workshops were entirely closed the whole day.

Last week about 250 sledge-hammerers had asked for an increase of wages; and their request not being granted, they struck work, as already reported in a previous issue of the *Bombay Gazette*. The authorities did not give in and replaced the strikers by employing men from outside the works.

Our representative was able to gather yesterday from the strikers, that on Monday morning, he stoke rsin workshops refused to load the engine-tenders with coal, and gangs of cooleys were requisitioned from the Carnac Bunder and the docks, to do that work. On Tuesday night the cooleys were put on the work; but subsequently the fitters and other employes in the workshops were told to do that work. The men thereupon sent in representation to Mr. F. C. Page, Loco. Superintendent, and Mr. Cobben, the Works Manager.

The sledge-hammerers, who were out and who had found themselves replaced by others, succeeded in persuading about 1,500 other employes of the mential staff to join them in the strike.

Meetings were then held and carpenters, fitters, stokers and others were appealed to. They were told that about six years ago when these men had come out, the sledge-hammerers had also come out merely out of sympathy for them; and this time it was due to them to join the sledge-hammerers. The feeling of the men assembled to consider the question, was in favour of helping the cause of the strikers and the men came to the resolution of coming out on Thursday morning.

The resolution was put into effect yesterday morning and the men first on strike came near the workshop early in the morning. They were, as was prearranged, all armed with sticks, and openly threatened those who attempted to enter the works. The threat had the desired effect and no employe enteredthe works. The crowd of 5,000 men collected outside the shops and the police were informed of the circumstances. Most of the employes in the running shed were Christians and Parsis and they had already commenced their work, but when the other strikers threatened to beat them, they, out of fright, came out too.

The suspension of work in the running-shed caused great anxiety to the authorities, as it threatened to stop the train service on the symtem.

About 10-30 o'clock Mr. Woolcombe, acting Agent of the B. B. and C. I. Railway, arrived at the Parel Railway Station, and held a consultation with the Loco-Superintendent. They soon decided to meet the situation in the best way possible. Mr. Mirza Railway Police Inspector, undertook to persuade the Parsi fitters who had assembled on the Parel Railway Station platform, but without success. The fitters were ready to do the work but they were afraid of being hurt by the strikers. Besides, they could not resume work without the foremen who had also come out.

The strikers informed our representative, that this morning the strikers intended to go in a body to personally put their grievances before Major Shelly, the Agent who is expected to arrive from home by the mail steamer.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Our representative obtained the following details from the B. B. and C. I. Railway officials:—

The petition asking for increased wages was received by the authorities on Wednesday. It demanded a reply within 24 hours.

The reply to this petition was given the same day that the matter required quiet consideration and the petition would be fully considered.

This reply apparently was not considered satisfactory and the men went on strike yesterday.

Most of the men were desirous to go on work but they had been prevented the other day by the two hundred men, who were out.

As the coalmen were prevented from going to work the authorities apprehended that the local train service might be affected and they desired to warn the public of the difficulty.

The strikers do not include, our representive was informed, a single European or a highly paid man.

The strikers' wages ranged from eight annas to four rupees a day which meant from about Rs. 12 to Rs. 100 a month.

The B. B. and C. I Railway officials were able to run the local trains as usual and their anxiety that the local train service would be affected by the strike of coalmen was not realised. At all the local stations on the line a notice over the signature of Mr. W. P. Pechey, Traffic Superintendent, was put up to say: "All Local Trains Will Run As Usual" And they did.

The police are now on the scene to take measures to check and put down yan attempt at violence and force.

M. AND S. M. RAILWAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, May 29.

Another numerously attended meeting of strikers was held yesterday evening, when, in addition to a speech by Mr. Engleken, travelling secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, who made a vigorous attack on the Indian Press, several speeches were made by various members and the cause of the strike was explained.

Kr. Engleken read a telegram from the railway employees at Allahabad, sympathising with the strikers here and offering to strike in sympathy.

In the Perambore Workshop of the M. and S. M. Railway, 400 to 500 men have struck.

Very little change has taken place in the situation created by the strike. Developments since yesterday have been comparatively minor, and there appears to be small need to fear for the total stoppage of the service, as has been threatened by the Amalgamated Society officials at Katpadi, where the station staff resumed duty yesterday evening. The telegraph signallers are now reported to have gone on strike in Madras and the districts. The signal cabin men have gone out, leaving work yesterday afternoon, at a moment's notice.

On the other hand, at Bitragunta, one of the original centres of the strike, the working conditions have apparently been resumed, for trains are now coming through without delay, but the trouble now is with the stations beyond that. It appears that the Calcutta Mail last night had only proceeded up to Ongole, before it was held up. The passengers will probably have to wait for the next train in order to continue their journey, or return to Madras. The trains arriving in Madras have similarly been delayed. The Company's officials are making every effort to meet the difficulties caused by the strike, and are confident of being able to inaugurate a comparatively effective service within the next few days. Fair service is being maintained between Madras and Bangalore. To meet the difficulties caused by a shortage of men in the traffic department, about thirty men

from the metre-gauge section are being brought to Madras, many of whom are being taken on in place of the strikers.

It is said that a large number of applications for situations are reaching the General Traffic Manager and no great difficulty is being found in obtaining suitable men.

One satisfactory feature of the strike, so far, is that there has been practically no attempt to interfere with the men who are at work or with the working of the trains and stations. There had only been one or two incidents of this description reported so far, and both these were reported from the vicinity of Madras. The strikers here are endeavouring to get at those who are at work, and persuade them to leave their posts.

Mr. Yardley, one of the trustees of the A. S. R. S., interviewed yesterday, said that the strike was spreading rapidly, in all directions, including the metre-gauge. It was also spreading in the Loco Department.

The Perambore shops have partly gone on the strike, and the remainder will follow. The grievances of the employees at the Perambore workshop are said to be many. The workshop officials are, it is alleged, fruitlessly attempting to influence the members of the Society; the non-members are enrolling themselves in large numbers. The cause of the strike, at present, is stated to be that the grievances promised to be redressed have been dealt with in a very unsatisfactory manner. They say that it is useless for the Railway officers to say that the grievances have not been properly represented, as they should have been, but ignored. There have been, it is also alleged, several fresh complaints of oppression since the commencement of the first unrest.

Mr. Yardley also complained of the manner in which the police inspector obtained admission to the meeting of the Society, and took down the names of some of railway employees.

It is reported, but confirmation lacks, that at the Jalarpett Junction last night a collision occurred between the menial strikers and the Sappers, resulting in injury to several.

The Amalgamated Society has telegraphed here, warning the Locomotive Department to be prepared to strike, and intimating that the Perambore Workshops have gone out, to the number of 6,000 hands.

A mail train left for Madras very late, last night, but had not left Jalarpet for Madras at 10 this morning. The only train expected here from Madras to-day is already seven hours late. The Government Telegraph Department have been applied to for signallers to replace the strikers, and a small batch is about to start.

The position to-day is more hopeless than ever.

IMPROVING SITUATION.

MADRAS, May 29.

Enquiries made to-day of the railway authorities, show that the situation continues to improve. It is hoped to establish the normal service between Madras and Bangalore, and the men to be able to run goods trains, in a day or two. Some of the drivers at Rajahmundry, on receiving the telegraphic instructions, went out on strike but most of them have since returned to work, and the Company has no difficulty whatever with regard to drivers. The signalling difficulty has been met by obtaining the services of military signallers from the Telegraph Department. New hands are being enteratined, and the authorities hope to improve the situation on the north-east and on other lines shortly. It is not likely that the Agent will issue notices to the men to return to work.

About 1,400 men at the Perambore Workshops are out.

MADRAS, May 29.

Mr. A. R. Anderson, Agent, arrived to-day at 1-30 p.m. at Madras.

A meeting of officers was held at the Central Station to-day, forenoon.

Two Madras guards have resumed duty. Several men are being taken on to replace those gone on strike. Fifteen man so taken on were sent out by the Calcutta Mail yesterday evening. Eleven men joined at Jalarpet, yesterday, and a number are being sent on to-day. In all, so far, six sets have been sent out to more important stations on the line.

The Director-General of Post and Telegraphs having been applied to for the services of singallers, has authorised the railway authorities to call for all the assistance they may require. It is understood that the services of military men, in the garrison may be requisitioned if required.

Quite a large number of men are attending daily at the General Traffic Manager's office for appointments, and are being taken on.

Goods are not being booked at any station on the line nor at Madras, only perishables are being received.

BANGALORE, May 29.

A more optimistic feeling prevails this evening in regard to the probable duration of the strike, in consequence of the draft of a large number of station masters, assistant station masters, signallers, etc. from metre-guage to stations between Madras and Bangalore, but this is rather counterbalanced by the report that the Locomotive Department men have gone out at Rajamundry and Bitragunta and that other occ. stations are on the eve of striking.

The Madras mail arrived ten hours late to-day, but the local train to Kolar Gold Field ran each way on a somewhat improved timing.

It is hoped that the Madras express will be able to get the outward English mails away to-night via Hubli.

CALCUTTA, May 29.

From to-night the Madras Mail from Calcutta will only run as far as Waltair, and passengers, or luggage will be booked beyond that station. To-day's incoming mail left Waltair at 6 o'clock this morning, seven hours late, and was correspondingly late in arriving at Howrah.

The report that any Bengal-Nagpur railway men have struck, is denied at the head office here. The men are, it is stated, quite contented, and there is no likelihood of any trouble arising.

SHOOTING INCIDENT.

MANAGER CHARGED WITH FIRING HIS REVOLVER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CLCUTTA, May 29.

The Asansol correspondent of the "Bengalee" reports a shooting incident which oncurred in a colliery there. A European manager of a colliery took to task a clerk, who was supervising the work of the coolies. An altercation followed, in which the manager is alleged to have fired a revolver at the clerk, the shot missing the mark. The coolies then came to the help of the clerk and the manager is said to have fired at them, wounding several. The Sub-Divisional officer of Asansol is holding an enquiry into the matter.

NORWEGIANS FIGHT.

ALLEGED USE OF A REVOLVER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, May 29.

A free fight, between two Norwegian engineers, is reported to have taken place at 9, Marquis Street, on Monday. It ended, it is stated, in one of them, who had got the worst of the fight, discharging two shots from a revolver at his opponent. The name of the accused is given as Karl Johanesen and the complainant is Karl Bryher. They both lived at the above address, and it is reported that the complainant was in the habit of allowing electric lights to burn, and fans to go all night. The owner of the premises remonstrated with the accused for his carelessness in wasting the current. Accused denied the allegations made against him, and put the blame on to the shoulders of his countryman, who occupied an adjoining room. A heated argument arose over this, and a free fight ensued, in the course of which the accused sustained some nasty cuts over the eyes and forehead. Finding he was getting the worst of the fight, Johanesen is alleged to have seized a revolver from a shelf in his room, and to have fired two shots at his opponent, as he was rushing out of the room. The first shot missed its mark, and the bullet was embedded in the wall while the second shot only just graced the legs of the complainant, but caused no other injury. Hearing the shots fired, the owner of the house appeared on the scene, and had the matter reported to the police.

Johanesen was arrested and placed before Captain Wodehouse, Deputy Commissioner of Police, charged with committing a rash and negligent act, and sent up for trial.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

HOPELESS PARLIAMENTARY OUTLOOK.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, May 29.

The *Daily Telegraph's* Pekin correspondent withdraws his statement as to the Parliament and Provisional Government having arrived at a compromise, whereby the former was to exercise supervision by a committee over the expenditure of Powers' loan. The correspondent says that the break is now wider than ever and the Parliamentary outlook well nigh hopeless.

BARISAL CONSPIRACY.

26 WITNESSES SUMMONED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BARISAL, May 29.

Yesterday, Mr. J. W. Nelson, Additional Magistrate of Backergunj, granted a certified copy of the petition of complaint, in the conspiracy case, to one of the accused, with the sanction of the Governor.

Mr. Colson, Superintendent of Police, Intelligence Department, lodged a complaint before the Additional Magistrate with allegations that the case for the prosecution would be principally based upon certain documents, and the articles found on search in the box of Girindra Mohan Das, son of Rai Jamini Mohan Das Bahadur, at Dacca, and on a search of the house of Madan Mohan Bhounik at Dacca. Twenty-six witnesses, including high officials, have been directed to appear on the 14th, 16th and 17th June. Others have to be summoned later on.

THE BURMAH BANK CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, May 29.

In the Bank of Burmah proceedings before the full bench to-day, Mr. de Glanville on behalf of Mower concluded his address.

In the course of his remarks he found out there was no evidence whatsoever against Clifford or Mower that Allan recommended non-payment of dividend yet Mr. Justice Twomey directed the jury that this was what Clifford would likely have told Mower.

Counsel finally dealt with the question of sentence quoting different authorities, among them being the Himalaya Bank Case and King Emperor vs. Mess. He said there ought to be some finality about the conviction and people ought not to be liable to further actions for the rest of their lives. If it was held that aech offence was a separate one then of course convinctions might be right. Counsel submitted that it was quite contrary to the spirit of the Indian Penal Code as explained in Section 71.

On behalf of Mower, Counsel submitted most earnestly, that if the misdirections had not been given in, and various unjustifiable presumptions had not been made, no jury could possibly have convicted him, and Counsel appealed to their Honours to direct that he be acquitted. Mr. McDonald, on behalf of the Crown addressed the court, opposing various points urged on behalf of the petitioners.

Counsel will continue his address to-morrow.

NON. COM'S. PASSAGES HOME

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, May 29.

The *Statesman's* London correspondent cables—Replying to Mr. Johnson Hicks, in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Montagu declared that unattached non-commissioned officers had no right to furlough or free passage on six years' service, which was merely a minimum condition of eligibility. He denied that a grievance existed, and refused to consider an amendment of the regulation.

CYPRUS CEDED TO BRITAIN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, May 29.

The "Statesman" publishes the following special cablegram, dated London May 28th:—

The cession of Cyprus to Great Britain is officially confirmed.

COONOOR GATE-KEEPER.

SENTENCE TO IMPRISONMENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COONOOR, May 29.

This morning Mr. H. Burkett, First Class Magistrate, pronounced judgment in the case in which one Mahomedan toll-gate keeper of the S. V. and Co. was charged with assaulting Sergt Heig of the P. W. D. and Mr. Benhope. The Magistrate, in concluding his judgment remarked "though the injuries sustained by Haig do not come under the category of "grievous hurt," yet it is clear that their number fully indicates that Haig must have received many blows after he was rendered unconscious, proving a most vindictive spirit on the part of the accused. With these circumstances in view I regard the offence as a very serious one. In spite of the evidence shown to prove good charecter on behalf of the accused, an exemplary punishment is called for. I therefore sentence the accused to six months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 100 or in default, an additional imprisonment of one month. If the fine be recovered, a sum of Rs.50, under section 543, I. P. C., is to be paid to Sergt. Haig, as compensation for damages done to his bicycle, and for the bodily injuries sustained. I would have ordered a larger compensation had not Haig's initial action in refusing to pay the toll been illegal."

THE DISASTER TO THE "DELHI."

LETTER IN WRONG ENVELOPE LEADS TO LAW SUIT.

A sequel to the loss of the P. and O. liner "Delhi" off the coast of Morocco in December, 1911, (when among the passengers were the late Duke of Fife and the Duchess of Fife and their daughters), was heard in Mr. Justice Lawrence's Court on May 6th. Mr Henry Sidney Wigmore, quartermaster of "Delhi" at the time of the disaster, of East Dulwich, sued Capt. Philip Harris, superintendent of the P. and O. Company at Tilbury Dock, to recover damages in respect of an alleged libel written to the company's offices.

The words complained of were:—

I have to point out that this is the man who endeavoured to injure the company by stating at the Court of Inquiry into the disaster that, previous to the stranding, he had seen a light, and reported it to the commander, who took no notice. The Court was of opinion that he was not telling the truth, and that is my opinion of his story of the £5 note which he was carrying in his trousers' pocket when escaping from the wreck; if true the company could not be expected to compensate him for the loss of money so negligently carried. A strong suspicion to my mind attaches to the other items mentioned in the letter."

The defence was that the statements complained of were not defamatory, and it was alternatively pleaded that the letter was written by the defendant in pursuance of his duty as the servant of the company in connection with a claim that the plaintiff had made against the company relative to the "Delhi" disaster, and that the statements were made in the belief that they were true.

Mr. David K. C., in opening the case, said that a few days after the wreck the plaintiff and other men who had accompanied the Duke of Fife and his party to Cape Spartel had occasion to return to the ship. They proceeded to swim to the vessel —one of the most heroic acts connected with the disaster.

While plaintiff was swimming in his clothes, a lascar seaman who had lost his hold of the rope to the shore, and was in danger of drowning in the surf, got hold of the band of plaintiff's trousers, which were lost, with £5 odd contained in the pockets.

The plaintiff, who was successful in rescuing the lascar from drowning by getting him to the shore later returned home, and his discharge was signed "very good" for both ability and conduct.

He made a claim on the P. and O. Company for the loss of the money (£5 3s. 6d.) and for miscellaneous articles, and the claim was refused.

In consequence of the blunder of a clock a curious thing occurred. In the envelope that contained the answer to plaintiff's claim was the letter written by the defendant to the company on which the action was based. The letter was written by Captain Harris to the company's general manager.

The plaintiff, a man of 31 years of age with a bronzed face, gave a graphic description of the rescue of the lascar. He mentioned that he went ashore in the first of the boats that left the Delhi. When he saw the defendant in London and told him about his loss, Captain Harris said "What business had you with £5." (Laughter.)

In his description of the swimming incident, plaintiff said that, after the "Delhi" struck, the lascars, having seen a naval officer wade some distance out from the shore, determined to try their luck in getting ashore. They were making their way along a grass rope, and witness and two others were using the same means of going out. As they passed the lascars, one of them lost his hold and clutched witness's trousers. He kicked them off to free himself, and swam to land with the man.

Plaintiff, in cross-examination, said he was a Naval Reserve man, and his intention after leaving the sea was to get employment as a mottor-driver and engineer. He had taken a job as a porter for the Law Society. (Loud laughter.)

Counsel: Don't you call that a comfortable job?—You can't call it comfortable on 25s. a week. (Laughter.)

Plaintiff further said that he stated at the inquiry that he saw a light twice before the disaster, and reported it to the master. He called the attention of a lascar who was on the chart-house with him to the light, and the lascar replied, "Oh, dat b'long to moon." (Loud laughter.)

He did not know the name of the lascar in question, nor could he pronounce it. He might be called the bridge-wallah. (Laughter.)

THE JUDGMENT.

Judgment was given on May 27th.

His lordship said he came to the conclusion that there was no evidence of malice. Captain Harris seemed to him to have written his letter in the discharge of his duty, and he (his lordship) would not be doing his duty if he allowed the case to go to the jury.

He entered judgement for the defendant.

CAPTAIN BETTS.

Capt Betts, who is lying in the European General Hospital under treatment, of the wounds inflicted on him by his butler, is progressing favourably. His assailant is also making an improvement.

SPORTING NEWS.

FOOTBALL IN BOMBAY.

MEETING OF WESTERN INDIA ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Western India Football Association was held last evening at Green's Hotel, with Mr. F. Hogan in the chair.

The annual report was presented as follows:—I regret to have to report that owing to a serious illness our secretary (Mr. T. D. Parry) was obliged to leave Bombay for good shortly after the Rovers' Tournament last year. The Harwood League began this season with an entry of eight teams and some excellent games were played during the season. The cup and gold medals were won by the Royal Army Temperance Association, Bombay branch, and the silver medals by the Royal Warwickshire Regiment as runners-up. Five teams entered for junior tournament, St. Mary's College team carrying off the cup and gold medals, and the Educational Society's school the Chas. Brown shield and silver medals, St. Mary's "A" team also won the challenge cup presented by Messrs. McAlpin and Co. for running. Fifteen teams entered for the Rovers tournament and the cup and gold medals were won by the Royal Irish Regiment, whilst the Dorset Regiment won the John Haig shield and silver medals as runners up. The running cup and medals were won by the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment. At the conlusion of the Rovers tournament a contest Civil vs. Military in aid of the funds of the Union Jack Club was organised which resulted in a loss to the Association, we were therefore unable to subscribe as in the previous year to this deserving fund. The accounts which are being laid before you shows only a small profit of Rs. 42-1-7 for the year, this is due to the want of support from the public during the last season, to the large sums spent on the building on new stands, the installation of a Water Hydrant on the ground, and to the repairs to the Cooperage ground, which was in a very bad state at the beginning of last season, which necessitating the constant employment of a European groundsman. During the season the Association presented ninety-one medals, of which 36 were gold.

The report was adopted, and so also were the accounts, also presented by Mr. Smart the treasurer. They showed that the total income amounted to Rs. 9,631, made up as follows:—Balance to credit Harwood League account in hands of Trustees, Rs. 1,048; balance to credit Rovers Football Club account in hands of Trustees Rs. 1,952; balance in Bank at 1st June, 1912 Rs. 1,137. receipts during the season 1912 Harwood League, Rs. 2,482; receipts during the season 1912 Rovers Tournament, Rs. 2,405; receipts during the season 1912 Junior Tournament, Rs. 43; receipts Charity Contest Union Jack Club, Rs. 360; receipts Harwood League Charity Tournament, Rs. 131; refund Improvement Trust Rs. 69.

The chairman stated their expenditure on the ground last season amounted to Rs. 1,600. The ground was still in a bad state and required a good deal of money to be spent upon it. As the meeting had seen the Association had a very small credit balance, and this was largely due to the poor attendances which were experienced last season in comparison with former years.

Officers were then elected as follows: President, Sir Hinry Procter; Vice-Presidents, C.I., W.R. Marshall, Lt.-Col. Vincent, Mr. P. R. Cadell and Mr. F. Hogan; Honorary secretaries and treasurers: Messrs. H. Elliot and R. W. Smart. There was a long discussion on the subjects of referees. Mr. Sherbrook (Sherwood Foresters) suggested that a gold medal be offered for the best referee durnig the coming season. The matter was referred to the Council for decision.

It was also suggested that in future there be no goal-judges. This matter too was referred to the Council.

It is hoped that this year's tournament will include eleven teams. One, the Hornets, is doubtful but the following ten are regarded as certain:—Two from the Sherwood Foresters, and one each from the R. G. A., Bombay Gymkhana, Commercial Gymkhana, Y. M. C. A, Grant Medical College, Government Telegraph and G. I. P. Railway.

These entries will ensure five months football, but this year Rovers Tournament will be held half way through the league programme so that it will not class with the Durant Tournament. Following tha there will be Rovers Junior Tournament which will bring the Football season up to the end of November.

The first match in the Harwood League will take place on June the 14th.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA vs. HORNETS

There was a good game on the Oval yesterday evening, between the Hornets and the Bombay Gymkhana. Both teams showed a lack of practice and condition; that is only natural so early in the season, but both sides may congratulate themselves on possessing good material. As the season progresses and the players settle down to their real form, they should be capable of putting up a good game. There were individual flashes of brilliance on both sides. For the Hornets, the brothers James promised well at back, and Navin in goal proved himself sound and capable, clearing with judgment and discretion several dangerous shots. H. Templeton at centre forward was inclined to slack a bit, but when he made up his mind to move, made some good runs and was responsible for both the goals scored by his side.

Barrett, the Gymkhana centre half, stood out as the best-conditioned man on either side and showed himself as capable of hard work as ever. Morris at left half also worked hard and should train on into a useful asset in the team. Moir at centre forward shot both the Gymkhana goals, the first was an excellent shot, the ball being taken off the ground, as it come down. Adams was everything at inside left and Evans, at inside right. The Gymkhana played one man short in the first half.

Play had not been in progress very long before a long kick sent the ball to Begbie, the Gymkana right full back, who being pressed, passed the ball across to Simmonds. The latter was not expecting the pass and H. Templeton, being well up, had no difficulty in going right through and gave Waldron no chance—Hornets 1 goal, Gymkhana nil. The Hornets continued to press and Morris their outside left, and showed up as a fast wing man. Singleton defended well. Play was interrupted for a minnte or two by one of the Gymkhana players being laid out with a knock in the wind. A corner to the Hornets came to nothing. The Gymkhana getting away, some good passing gave Evans an opening, but he raised the ball over the bar. Soon after the Gymkhana had another opportunity, Morris taking the ball through in his own, but though the leather hung about in front of the opposing goal, the Gymkhana were unable to put it through. Up and down play followed. The Gymkhana forwards played about with the ball too much in front of goal, when they might have tried a shot. The Hornets getting down their inside left, essayed a shot which passed inside the post. After some even exchanges, Evans putting in a good centre, the ball was headed by Jones behind. Moir, the Gymkhana centre forward, taking the sphere as it came, shot a good goal and the whistle blew for half time, with the score standing: Hornets 1 goal, Gymkhana 1 goal.

The eleventh Gymkhana player turned up for the second half of play and both teams were then complete. After a little scrimmage at the corner flag, Evans passed in from the right and Moir looked all over a scorer but raised the ball over the bar. Navin was called upon soon after and cleared with judgment. Play had been in progress five minutes in the second half, when some good work by Morris gave the Gymkhana an easy opening, and they took the lead (2—1). The Gymkhana continued to press, and Barrett showed up, playing with his usual coolness and ability. Navin cleared well for the Hornets, getting the ball away with the opposing forwards in the goal mouth. Fifteen minutes from the start of the second half, H. Templeton got away for the Hornets and taking a pot shot, secured a fairly easy goal (2—2). The Hornets continued to do a considerable amount of attacking and their outside right showed up with one or two good runs. The Gymkhana taking up the attack, Barrett put in some tricky work; and getting through on his own, placed a shot that travelled just wide of the mark. Soon after, the same player put in one of those dangerous dropping shots that are the bane of goal keepers. Navin, however, was equal to the occasion. The Hornets coming away, Waldron was given some work to do, who acquitted himself well. Templeton got going and shot hard, the ball passing just over the bar.

The game ended:—

Hornets ..... 2 goals.
Gymkhana ..... 2 goals.

The teams were:—

Hornets.—Goal, Navin; backs, Jones and James; halves, Bradbury, Powell and C. Templeton; forwards, Laythoke, Allen, R. Templeton, Downes and Morris.

Gymkhana.—Goal, Walden; backs, Simmonds and Begbie; halves, Morris, Barrett and Singleton; forwards Osborne Smith, Adams, Moir, Evans and Johnstone.

Referee:—Mr. Heerschute.

BOREGAON TRIAL.

(Continued from page 5)

Re-examined by Mr. James:—

Q.—Why did you turn the handle? A.—Because the 324 up train arrived at my station, and I asked the line clear to Boregaon for that train. As I got no reply I tried my handle, which came down to vertical.

Q.—At what time did that train arrive?—A. At 5 29 a.m.

Damoder Pandurang, Station Master at Katepurna examined by the Court said that on the 2nd May Collins sealed the Boregaon side of the insrtument at Katepurna. It was not used between the 30th April and 2nd May. It was allowed to remain in its usual place. On the night of the 30th of April Collins unlocked the instrument. He locked it up again and up to the time of sealing nobody unlocked it. Witness made a report of the instruments working wrongly. On the 28th of April the fault was with the down side working. The handle could not be turned. On the night of the 30th of April Collins opened the instrument and checked the balls. As far as witness knew, Collins did nothing on that night beyond that. When witness came on duty on the 25th of April Collins and an overseer were attending to the instrument. Witness could not say what they did with it.

Cross-examined witness said that Collins opened only the front of the instrument on the night of the 30th of April. He did not touch the back part of it. The Maintenance Telegraph Inspector of Badnera and the District Engineer were presen at the time.

ARMLESS LADY RIDER.

A lady rider in Rotten Row, named Miss Callaghan, said to be an American, during the week attracted considerable attention by the deft manner in which she managed her horse, although she is without hands. Miss Callaghan went to Oxford two years ago as a house student at Lady Margaret Hall, and was often seen riding about the streets of Oxford. She is even more at home on a bicycle than on a horse, and the clever way in which she controls the machine surprises everyone who sees her.

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SHIP-BUILDING INDUSTRY.

HIGH COST OF LABOUR.

It is difficult to say what exactly the position is with regard to the prospects of the industry, so conflicting are the estimates of it. The federated employers in resisting the demand of the shipbuilding operatives for an advance of wages, state that there is no market for new vessels at current prices. There certainly seems to be no disposition to order cargo vessels at the prices of the moment, and with the deliveries offered. But cargo liners are being laid down wherever an empty berth appears, and there does not seem to be any slackening of the tide of that kind of work. Moreover, it must be all new work, in the sense that it is additional to the record total which Lloyd's Register's March quartely return gave, because nothing is reckoned by the classification society until it begins to show on the stocks. Still, it would not be wise to account it all to be further access of prosperity, because the bulk of it may have been ordered when prices were much less than they are now. If that is the case the shipbuilding employers are doubly justified in resisting the demand for higher wages, for an increase in the cost of labour would not only kill any chance of a revival of ordering, but involve them in serious losses on the contracts which they have.

No doubt, that is exactly how the prospect appears to them, but it might be well, in the interest of the industry, which is bulking rather prominently in the public eye at the moment, to make the position clear. All the principal British lines are building just now—the Cunard, the White Star, the Peninsular and Oriental, the Orient, the Royal Mail, the Pacific, the Union-Castle, the Eller-Dempster, the Ellerman, the Booth, the Leyland, the Atlantic Transport, the Allan, the Federal, and the British India amongst the number. Until, however, it is known what prices are being paid it would be unwise to put a value upon these preparations.

FOREIGN COMPETITION.

The fact that the Ateliers et Chantiers de France have beaten British firms in competition for the work of constructing three steamers for a London concern trading with New Zealand, has been made a good deal of in the Press and out of it. It ought not to be overlooked, however, that, thanks to the behaviour of our workmen, the conditions have been favourable to diversions of this kind for some time past. With more money than usual in their pockets, pieceworkers and timeworkers are taking things easier; the result is that for the time being British shipbuilding is without the tactical advantage it has hitherto enjoyed of speed in production. British costs are, therefore, very high, and they promise to go still higher through the increases which the ironworkers are exacting on agreed-upon prices. That gives State-aided industries like that of France an opportunity of which they are not slow to take advantage.

Moreover, with the present abnormal conditions practically certain to continue in the United Kingdom for some time to come our rivals can hardly help pressing their advantage further and improving upon its results. Our toilers are doing too well to pay much attention to that prospect. But when it dawns upon them that in order to get work the present high costs of labour will have to come down, we shall, in all probability find the shipyard trades, the Boilermakers' Society, the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, and other bulwarks of "Free Trade" clamouring for the countervailing of the French bounties on shipbuilding.

The Bulkhead Committee has still, of course, to report, but what its recommendations will be in one or two directions seems, says the "Standard," to be indicated by the subdivision of several high-class passenger vessels which have recently been launched. In the new Newhaven-Dieppe turbine steamer Paris, for example, the bulkheads are without doorways or other openings in them up to the main deck. Formerly, the inconvenience of that arrangement prevented its use in mercantile vessels. But it is pretty common in modern naval shipbuilding, and its inconvenience has been found to be much less than it was esteemed to be. Its greater safety is obvious, and when passengers begin to realise that, they will probably regard it as ample compensation for any little extra climbing involved. Of course, it is not by any means certain that the Committeee will recommend bulkheads without openings; but it is not to be denied significance that its chairman, Mr. A Denny, is a member of the firm which built the "Paris." The *Paris* is, however, notable in one or two other respects. Her propelling machinery is, for instance, to consist of two independent sets of Parsons' compound steam turbines, driving twin-screws through mechanical gearing. Moreover, her steam generators are to be of the water-tube type. Like the South-Western Railway Company's geared turbine steamers "Normannia and Hantonii", she has a cruiser stern; but she will be faster than they are. That is, at any rate, a reasonable reduction from the fact that she is expected to hold her own against the Newhaven, which is already in the service. The "Newhaven" is a very up-to-date vessel, with direct driving steam turbines which the Western Railway Company of France ordered from French shipbuilders. There is talk of, at any rate 24 knots for the *Paris*.

THE YUNAN PROVINCE.

COMPLETE CORDIALITY TOWARDS BRITISH OFFICIALS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, May 29.

The *Pioneer* hears from Burma that the Chinese officials on the Yunan border are showing a complete cordiality towards all British officials with whom they have any relations. The Yunan Province is said now to be in a far more settled state than last year.

SIR LOUIS DANE.

HIS AIMS FOR THE FUTURE OF INDIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, May 29th.

In reply to the farewell resolution passed by the Punjab Chamber of Commerce, Sir Louis Dane said that his aim was first to establish peace and concord between the people and the Government, and all classes and creeds, next to place the finances of the Province on a stable and adequate basis and, finally, to develop commerce and industry, including agriculture, with a view to giving adequate opening to its sons.

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THEOSOPHICAL LECTURE.

On the 24th inst., Major C. L. Peacocke delivered a public lecture in Hyderabad (Deccan), upon "The Inner Purposes of the Theosophical Society." The chair was taken by Mr. M. A. Hydari, Home Secretary to H. H. the Nizam's Government and a member of the General Council of the Theosophical Society.

Major Peacocke, as a prelude to his lecture, asked his audience to accept his remarks as being his personal views and in no way committing either the Society as a body or any other individual member; and he stated that as regards his views:—"Their only value lies in the fact that they have grown out of my 23 years' membership in the Society, during which time I have known Theosophists in many lands and of many shades of opinions, including most of the early leaders of the movement. When I first joined the Society, I formed certain ideas as to its inner purposes, and although they have latterly expanded somewhat, they have never altered in essence. By my reliance on these ideas I have remained undisturbed when periodical storms have shaken the Society, for I felt absolutely certain that no attack against it could ever succeed if its purposes are what I believe them to be." The lecturer then went on to give the well-known outer objects of the Society and to establish the broadness of its platform as well as the perfect liberty of thought allowed and encouraged among its members, none of whom is asked to accept any single belief, even though that belief be held in common by a large majority of the Fellows. In this connection Major Peacocke said:—"Unfortunately, however, human nature is not changed by paying the entrance fee to the Theosophical Society, for we are all prone to think that our own beliefs are the best for everyone, and that our own opinions are the only sound ones, forgetting that as we grow in knowledge, our beliefs must expand and our opinions be modified. And so, even from among those who had given years of work to the Society, which they had joined because they were seeking for light and because they were attracted by its broad and tolerant platform, we now and then see fellows becoming intolerant of a tolerance which allows free play to all beliefs within our ranks as well as outside of them, declaring that their brother fellows must not unite to work collectively in any group or order of which they themselves disapprove, and claiming that the Society should officially discountenance any propaganda of any definite belief by any "group" of its fellows. In fact, their idea of tolerance is to permit everyone outside of the Society to have unquestioned freedom of thought, belief and action, but to set an imaginary barrier across the path to the Temple of Divine Wisdom for all within the Society—that barrier being a replica of the one we crossed further back on the road and which bore the legend, "Travellers are warned that to pass this point, except under the guidance of the gate-keeper, is fatal..." These matters are, however, only passing phases, mere ripples on the surface, and they in no way alter the destiny of the Society, which is every year becoming a stronger power in the world, along the lines of what may be called scientific religious thought. The reason of this, to my mind, lies in those inner purposes to which I invite your attention if you would understand what the real use of the Society is in the general scheme of things."

Having at some length traced the connection between the Society and the Masters (Mahatmas) from the day in August 1851, upon which Madame Blavatsky met one of them upon the banks of the Serpentine, in London, and was then given a sketch of the work she would later have to undertake in founding the Society, which the Masters already had planned, through the years succeeding its formation in 1875, when the Masters were continually being met, seen, and heard from by the founders and other members, and through the years succeeding Madame Blavatsky's death, when they left the young Society to its own resources in order that it might find its legs until at the death of Colonel Olcott, they again began to take more active part in its affairs, to the present day, when they are very much in evidence, the lecturer said:—"Take away the Masters, take away the teachings that have come to us solely through their disciples, take away the path to initiation, take away everything which has come from them or rests upon the fact of their existence, and you have nothing left but an empty shell with a high sounding title that would not be acceptable for an instant as a power in the world of spiritual thought and that would only attract at most a few students of philosophical and metaphysical systems in an academic manner."

Major Peacocke then went on to summarize the position, showing how wise was the arrangement laid down by the Masters, whereby the Society with its three objects and its absolutely free an unsectarian platform acted as a great net to collect into one body those people of every nation and of every religion, who were looking for further light concerning non-physical subjects, and who in that common search became sympathetic to one another; while within the Society an inner group of their personal disciples and of believers in themselves acted as the direct link between them and their Society as a whole. The inner purposes, as he viewed them, for which the Masters founded the Society were:— (1) that there might be firmly established in the world of men a body of people of various nationalities, temperaments and aptitudes, who were trained to work together harmoniously, and who knew something of the scheme of human evolution, in order that when, at various time during the coming centuries, they had some particular piece of work to do in the world, they might have immediately available a number of volunteers able to intelligently co-operate in carrying out the details of their work. Such a call for volunteers has been lately made for the first time since the founding of their Society, in connection with the work of preparing the nations for the approaching advent of the World-Teacher; (2) that there might be henceforth a definite, openly proclaimed road, by which all who are seeking may approach them; and that by means of the Society's branches established in every land there might be definite centres, open pipes as it were, through which they can pour out their forces for the spiritual regeneration of mankind.

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THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Captain B. R. Reilly, Assistant Political Resident, Aden, is granted privilege leave for one month and eight days with effect from the 3rd July or subsequent date.

Lieutenant A. W. T. Webb, Assistant Political Agent and District Superintendent of Police, Palanpur, passed an examination in Gujarati according to the Higher Standard on the 5th May.

Mr. W. A. Heyland, Third Grade Superintendent of Police, has been allowed an extension for three months of furlough.

Mr. W. G. Clabby, Third Grade Superintendent of Police, has been allowed an extension for five months of furlough on medical certificate.

Mr. C. W. A. Turner, I. C. S., to be a member of the Civil and Military Examination Committee for examining candidates in Marathi during the absence on leave of Mr. K. W. Barlee, I. C. S., or pending further orders.

Ma. D. B. Sothers to do duty as Divisional Forest Officer West Khandesh.

Mr. A. C. Robinson, on return to duty, to be Divisional Forest Officer, Sukkur.

Mr. H. L. Fox, I. C. S., passed an examination in Marathi according to the Higher Standard on 5th May.

The Rev. G. R. A. Courtice is promoted to the grade of Senior Chaplain with effect from the 19th May.

Captain G. F. I. Harkness, I. M. S., to act as Resident Surgeon, St. George's Hospital Bombay, and professor of Materia Medica and Pharmacy, Grant Medical College, Bombay vice Captain A. J. V. Betts, I.M.S., as a temporary measure.

Mr. B. W. Kissan, I. C. S., to do duty as officer on special duty in connection with the scheme for the development of Salsette during the absence on leave of Mr. E. G. Turner, I. C. S., or pending further orders.

Bombay Volunteer Artillery.—Electrical Engineer Company.—Second-Lieutenant Sowerby-Coo resigns his Commission.

Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Volunteer Rifles.—Lieutenant Clayton to be Captain, vice E. H. Young, V.D., transferred to the Supernumerary List. Second-Lieutenant G. D. Moore to be Lieutenant, vice J. A. Clayton, promoted. Second-Lieutenant Thomas Cooper (Supernumerary) is absorbed in the vacancy caused by the promotion of G. D. Moore.

Charles Moyle Rennick to be Second-Lieutenant, supernumerary to the establishment.

Mr. C. H. H. Philpot-Brookes, Assistant Engineer, is granted, privilege leave for one month from 1st June or date of relief.

Mr. T. S. Pipe, Assistant Engineer, is appointed to act as Executive Engineer, Ahmednagar District, until further orders.

On relief by Mr. Pipe, Mr. J. J. B. Benson, Temporary Engineer, is appointed to hold charge of the office of the Executive Engineer, Thana District, until further orders, vice Mr. F. R. Bader, Executive Engineer, proceeding on privilege leave.

Mr. W. N. Cartland, Assistant Engineer, is appointed to act as Executive Engineer, West Khandesh, until further orders.

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The following is a further list of subscriptions to the Lord Hardinge Birthday Celebration Committee's Fund:—

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Contributions under Rs. 5 Rs. 26. Total Rs. 6,529-8.

The public are requested kindly to send their contributions promptly to the Secretaries, Lord Hardinge Birthday Celebration Committee, 89, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(Bombay "Government Gazette," May 29).

Mr. Subrao Venkatesh Kulkarni, Fourth Grade Mamlatdar, assumed charge of the office of Survey Settlement Officer in charge of the Survey of the towns of Gadag Betigeri on the 15th instant.

Mr. P. S. Shirali delivered over and Mr. V. G. Hudli received charge of the office of the Mamlatdar of Athni on 15th instant.

Mr. G. S. Dixit, B. A., delivered over and Mr. B. K. Kurtkoti, B. A., received charge of the office of the Mamlatdar of Gokak on 12th instant.

Mr. V. S. Kulkigi, B. A., delivered over and Mr. B. V., Datar B. A. received charge of the office of the Mamlatdar of Sampgaon on the 16th instant.

Mr. F. Brewin, Excise Inspector, Bhusaval East Khandesh District, has been granted privilege leave for one month, with effect from the 4th instant, and Mr. H. J. Millard, Excise Inspector Jalgaon, and after him successor, directed to hold charge in addition to his own duties.

The privilege leave for one month, granted effect from the 22nd ultimo, to Mr. J. C. Rodrigues, Divisional Inspector, Bombay, has been extended by fifteen days.

Mr. V. V. Bapat, Subordinate Judge of Hanavar, delivered over charge of his office to Mr. Appajirao Wasudev Wagh, Clerk of the Court, Honavar Sub-Court, in the afternoon of the 10th of May and Mr. Appaji Wasudev Wagh delivered over charge of the same office Mr. Shivrao Anant Hattiyangadi, Clerk of the Court of the same Court, on the afternoon of the 19th idem.

Mr. K. K. Desai, B. Sc., L. C. E., Executive Engineer, is granted privilege leave for two months and three days combined with furlough for six months.

Mr. Vyankatesh Gopal Shete, L. C. E., Supervisor, Second Grade, substantive pro tem., is promoted to Assistant Engineer (Provincial Service), with effect from the 1st June.

Mr. V. N. Vartak, L. C. E., Executive Engineer, Dharwar Irrigation, is permitted to return to duty on the 1st June instead of on the date of the expiry of the privilege leave granted to him.

Mr. W. N. Cartland, Assistant Engineer, is appointed to act as Executive Engineer, West Khandesh, until further orders.

Mr. H. W. Starte, Divisional Forest Officer, North Khandesh, and Assistant Collector, Akrani Mahal, being, appointed a Magistrate of the Second Class in the West Khandesh District, is invested with the additional powers under Schedule IV of the Criminal Procedure Code:—

Messrs. B. A. Dubois and A. Rashidkhan respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, East Khandesh, in the forenoon of the 20th instant.

Messrs. K. V. Joshi and N. N. Sathe respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of the District Deputy Collector E D on 8th instant.

Mr. Appaji Krishna Deshpande is appointed to be President of the Municipality of Khed and also Alandi in the Poona District vice Mr. Narayan Sakharam Kale, resigned.

Assistant Surgeon Yashavant Govind Nadgir, L. M. and S., M. S., is appointed to be Professor of Anatomy, Grant Medical College.

Mr. Jamshedji Bahmanji is appointed to be President of the Municipality of Alibag in the Kolaba District.

Mr Gangadhar Annaji Advant is appointed to be President of the Municipality of Mhasvad in the Satara District.

The temporary appointments of Additional second class, fourth grade, subordinate judges, at Islampur, Karad and Mudebihal have been extended for a further period of six months from the dates on which they expire.

Mr. V. S. Ghanekar, second class, Magistrate, Jalgaon, Mr. V. V. Tongaonkar, second class, Magistrate, Edalabad, Mr. G. V. Joshi, second class, Magistrate, Chopda, Mr. W. G. Joshi, second class, Magistrate, Parola, Mr. R. L. Khare, second class, Magistrate, Jamner, have been conferred with the power to make orders as to first offenders.

Mr. D. B Sothers is to do duty as Divisional Forest Officer, West Khandesh.

Mr. Vishandas R. Mirchandani is to act as Divisional Forest Officer, West Khanesh, from the date of departure on leave of Mr. J. Hamilton until the date of relief by Mr. Sothers.

Mr. A. C. Robinson, on return to duty is to be Divisional Forest Officer Sukkur.

Mr. Shapoor Nusserwanji Ratnagar is to be Probationary Extra Assistant Conservator of forests, central circle.

The following transfers of Mamlatdars are ordered:—Mr Vishnu Vishwambhar Gayatonde from Hukeri to Dapoli, Mr. Gopal Laxman Gajendragadkar (now on leave) from Pen to Hukeri, Mr. Sadashiv Krishna Nadkarni (under orders of transfer from Indi to Dapoli) Dapoli to Pen.

Master and Registrar in Equity, Commissioner and Taxing Master, High Court, Bombay, has been granted privilege leave for three months from the 31st day of May 1913 or from such other subsequent day as he may avail himself of.

BOMBAY SEASON REPORT.

The following is the summary of season reports for the week ending May 27th:—

During the week slight rain fell in parts of Ahmedabad, the Panch Mahals Kanara, the Deccan, the Karnatak, Baroda, Palanpur, Mahi Kantha, Rewa Kantha and Kolhapur. Lands are being prepared for khari cultivation. The fodder supply was deficient in parts of Sukkur. Hyderabad and Ahmednagar. Agricultural stock was was generally in good condition except in Ahmednagar where it was in poor condition; it was deficient in parts of Cutch. The supply of water for drinking and for irrigation was deficient in parts of the Deccan and Bijapur. The public health was generally good. Prices on food-grains are high but slightly fluctuating. The quantities of food-grains purchasable per rupee in Sind and the various tracts in the Presidency proper are as follows:—Sind, 18 to 47 percentage below Gujarat, 20 to 4 percentage below Konkan, 13 to 34 percentage Deccan, 24 to 4 percentage Karnatak, 38 to 47.

Distress is acute in Nevasa Shevgaon, Nagar, Rahuri, Jamkhed and Kopargaon Talukas of the Ahmednagar District. Little wandering and no emaciation has been noticed yet. The return of emigrants continues. Six kitchens and fifteen poor-houses continue to give relief. The people on relief are generally in good condition. Liberal suspensions of land revenue are being granted and takavi is being advanced for fodder and wells. Grass imported by Government agency is being sold to needy cultivators at low rates and finds ready sale. Charitable funds are being utilised for grant of relief to weavers. Eight cattle kitchens financed from charitable funds continue to give relief. Supply of water is running short and steps are being taken to improve it. Numbers on gratuitous relief for the week ending 24 h May were 14237 in Ahmednagar and 147 in Poona and Sholapur.

THE WEATHER.

MONSOON CONDITIONS INTENSIFIED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, May 29.

Rainfall is reported from Burma, Assam Eastern Bengal, Bihar, Orissa and South of the Peninsula The chief amounts are:—Rangoon two inches, Maymyo 1-12, Silchar, Darjeeling and Narayanganj one, Chittagong three, Patna and Gorakhpore 1 1-2, Mysore one and Cochin two.

Monsoon conditions have intensified slightly in the extreme south, and the sea is rough this morning at Colombo. The Cochin coast, north of Calicut, is however not yet affected.

Humid easterly wind is again entering the Gangetic plain.

Forecast: Continuance of rainfall in Burma, Northeast India and south of the Peninsula; and a few thunder storms in the United Provinces.

AT SEA.

Captain W. Jones, of the steamer Gallia, which arrived in harbour yesterday from Bhawnagar reports having encountered strong south westerly wind within 50 miles of Bombay tben fine weather.

STORM SIGNAL.

The following telegram from the Meteorological Department, Simla, was received yesterday by the Port officer, Bombay:—

Monsoon conditions have intensified south of Calicut, but no northward extension has taken place.

Later.

No signs of any storm in the Arabian Sea. Lower signal.

Appended is Thursday's report of the Meteorological Reporter for Western India, based on observations taken at 8 o'clock.

Names of Stations.	Maximum temperature during the past 24 hours	Minimum temperature during the past 24 hours	Rainfall past 24 hours.	Rainfall since 1st Nov. to date.
Boshire 28th	96·8	82·0	...	6·31
Jask	...	...	...	...
Muskat 28th	9·8	83·6	...	5·80
Multan	116·3	92·0	...	1·44
Rawalpindi	1[illegible]·4	84·1	...	6·0
Lahore	111·9	8·2	...	6·66
Sirsa	1 4·8	85·5	...	6·1
Amritsar	10·6	76·9	...	11·20
Delhi	10 5	81 8	...	2·8
Agra	1 3·0	8 0	...	3·65
Mainpuri	10·8	82·6	...	5·32
Jhansi	114·0	91·0	...	2·55
Cawnpore	107·7	81·4	...	6·40
Allahabad	110·6	80 5	...	5 37
Jacobabad	...	...	...	...
Karachi	88·0	9·0	...	1·27
Ajmer	107·6	8 2	...	2 38
Jaipur	11·2	87·0	...	1·1
Kotah	111·6	90·6	...	3 49
Bauj	10·0	81·0	...	0 00
Dwarka	89·3	82·7	...	0·40
Veraval	88 1	81 8	...	0·08
Rajkot	106·6	78·3	...	0·48
Bhavnagar Para.	109·5	82·8	...	0·41
Surat	9 4	82·6	...	3 59
Ahmedabad	10[illegible]·6	8 7	...	0·48
Cocha	11·8	7·9	...	0·03
Neemuch	103 9	79 0	...	3·91
Indore	104 1	79·1	...	4·32
Jubbulpore	1 6·8	8 3	...	5·0
Saugor	1068	83·6	...	4·29
Hoshangabad	111·1	83 4	...	4·54
Khandwa	11·1	83·4	...	4·54
Akola	110·7	84 5	...	4·81
Amraoti	10 8	85 0	...	4·17
Nagpur	111·6	87·8	...	5 74
Chanda	111·0	86·0	...	6·9
Raipur	108·7	85·5	...	4·80
BOMBAY	9 4	4·4	...	2 65
Ratnagiri	93·6	81·4	...	11·95
Mahabaleshwar	91·0	80·7	0·01	4 23
Sanawar	86·7	76·0	0·04	7· 7
Mahabaleshwar	1064	78·6	...	5 34
Ahmednagar	1[illegible]·1	75·5	...	1·7
Poona	96·0	7 8	...	1·01
Sholapur	1 [illegible]·8	72·6	0·08	2 05
Bijapur	97 2	7 8	0 0	4·87
Belgaum	91 3	68	0·18	3·90
Aurangabad	103·6	7·7	...	2 10
Nizamabad (Indur)	107·9	79·7	0·07	3 66
Hyderabad	97·8	74·7	0·5	5 70
Bangalore	83 8	7·8	0 18	7 22
Calicut	86·4	77·1	...	10 13
Cochin	84·7	75·7	2 18	15·75
Colombo	8·5	74·5	1·13	59·7
Masulipatam	96 8	77·2	...	8·24
Bellary	95·5	72 8	...	6·8
Cuddapah	96·5	79 0	...	1 64
Madras	9·0	75·0	0·74	14·13
Bangalore	8 3	6 8	0 06	4·89
Coimbatore	10 9	72·3	...	5 49
Trichinopoly	98·6	8[illegible]·8	...	3· 7
Negapatam	91·7	78·7	0·45	27 79

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Thursday, the 29th May, 1913, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear. The air is damper than usual in the extreme eastern districts and drier elsewhere. Temperature is in excess except at Delhi and Ambala.

The United Provinces.—Skies are moderately clouded at Jhansi and clear elsewhere. Humidity is in excess at Mainpuri and Cawnpore and in defect at Jhansi. Temperature is in excess at Jhansi.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are lightly clouded in lower Sind and clear elsewhere. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Temperature is in excess in the northern half of the division.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear in west Central India and lightly to moderately clouded elsewhere. Humidity is normal or in excess. Temperature is normal.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. The air contains the average amount of moisture. Day temperature is in excess in Berar; night temperature is above normal in the eastern half of the division.

The Konkan.—Skies are moderately clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess. Temperature is normal.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Rainfall associated with thunderstorms has been local in the south Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad; Belgaum has had 0·18" and Hyderabad 0.25". Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Temperature is normal.

General Remarks.—Rainfall has been nearly general on the south Coromandel Coast. Rainfall has decreased in the northern half of the Peninsula, precipitation having been only local in Hyderabad and the south Bombay Deccan. On the west cost of the Peninsula heavy rainfall has been confined to south Malabar. Fairly heavy rain has again been reported from Colombo. Seas have become rough at Colombo and Cochin and slight at Calicut. The unsettled conditions in the south-east Arabian Sea would appear to be concentrating off the south Malabar Coast but probably out in the sea.

Fairly general rain is likely in Malabar and isolated thunderstorms in the southern half of the Deccan and possibly on the Madras Coast.

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MARKET REPORT.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, May 28. BOMBAY, May 29.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	74 13-16		1-8
3 do. Rentes	75 1-4	1-4	
2 1-2 do. Sterling Loan	89 1-2	un	chgd
do. do. Gov. Securities.. ...	64 5-16	un	chgd
Bar Silver in London Spot	27 3 4	1-16	
do. 2 months' hence ...	28	1-16	
Bar Silver in New York	60 1-2	1-2	
Exchange on London at Paris ...	25·21 1-2	un	chgd
do do. at Berlin.	20·43 1-2	01	
do do. New York	4·86 1-4	un	chgd
Discount Bank of England Rate ...	4 1-2	since	
do Short London Bills	17th Apl.		
3 months' sight...	3 11-16	1-8	
do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight ...	3 3-4	un	chgd
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	4 3-8	un	chgd
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	4 3-8	un	chgd
Interest day-to-day Loans. ...	2 7-8	un	chgd
do. 7 day Market Loans ...	3 1-8	1-8	

Bar Gold ... 77-9 unchgd,
Exchange on India 60 days' sight (Bank buying rate) 1s. 3 7-d. unchanged.
Closing tone of silver—Indian buying.

COUNCIL BILLS.

At the periodical Biddings for Council Bills on India to-day, for Rs. 6 ,00,000.

Rs. 20,0 0 were allotted to Calcutta,
" 60,000 " to Bombay.
" 1, 0,000 " to Madras.
" 2,40,000

Tenders on Calcutta, at 1s. 4 1-32d. (Min Rate) received 29 per cent. above that rate in full.

Tenders on Bombay, at 1s. 4 1-32d. (Min Rate) received 29 per cent. above the rate in full.

Average rates of allotment, Calcutta and Bombay 6 03.

Telegraphic Transfers:—

Rs. 1,50,000 were allotted to Calcutta
" 50,10,000 " to Bombay.
" 6,0 ,000 " to Madras.
" 5,760,00

Tenders on Calcutta, at 1s 4 1-16d. (Min. Rate) received 29 per cent. above that rate in full.

Tenders on Bombay, at 1s. 4 1-16d. (Min. Rate) received 29 per cent. above the rate in full.

Average rates of allotment, Calcutta and Bombay 16·06.

Total amount of Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening, including last Public Sales, Rs. 77,90,000.

Amount to be allotted next week, Rs. 60,00,000

EXTRA ALLOTMENTS:—

Bills on Madras ... Rs. 10,000 at 1s. 4 1-16d.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—

Spot ... Unchanged. Good business done.
Futures ... Quiet
Manchester ... Dull with a limited enquiry.
Total Sales ... 10,000 bales
Sold for Speculation and for Export ... 500 "
Imports ... 10,000 "
Mid Americans ... 6·70 unchgd.
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown ... 9·95 unchgd.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

May June.	June July.	July-Aug.
6·40	6 41	6·39
—01	— 3	—02
Aug S pt.	Sept - Oct.	Oct.-Nov.
6 39	6 17	6 10
—02	unchgd	+01
Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb. Mar.-Apr.
6 07	6·03	6·05 6·07
+01	+01	+01 +01

New York 11 a.m., July 11·58, Oct. 11·44.
New York official Noon call July 11·30 Oct. 11·15.
New Orleans 10 a.m. July 2·03, Oct. 11·21

NEW YORK— Bales.

Day's Receipts at U. S. Ports ... 9,000
" Receipts at " last year... 5,000
" Exports to Great Britain 2,000
" Exports to Continent ... 2,000
" Spot Cotton 11·90—10

Futures—Month of July 11·55—09
Futures—Month of Oct. 11·41—05
Declined owing to unfavorable financial conditions and wall selling and to bear pressure liquidation.

NEW ORLEANS—

Spot ... 12 7-16 unchgd
Futures month of July ... 12 1—07
Futures month of Oct. ... 1·21—07
Tone of Spot Cotton ... Quiet.

WHEAT

Wheat White Delhi ... Nominal.
Do. Months— ... .
Do. Name of Ports— ...
Wheat White Karachi ... 38 unchgd, June-July.
Do. Months
Do. Name of Ports—Liverpool—Done.
Wheat Red Karachi ... 37 5-8 unchgd.
Do. Months— ... May-June. London—Sellers
Tone Easier.

SOUTH AMERICAN WHEAT.

Bonario Santa Fe ... 38 5-8+3-8
Do. Months— ... June-July—Sellers—Quiet.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN

South Australian ... 38 unchgd
Do. Months ... May—Sellers.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—

Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 50 1-4—1-4
Do. Months— ... May-June.
Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk—Sellers.
Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs. 85 p. c. ex-ship ... 51 1-2unchgd
Do. Months— ... June-July.
Do. Name of Ports.—Dunkirk—Sellers.
Brown Cawnpore ... 50 unchgd
Do. Months— ... May-June
Do. Name of Ports.—Hamburg—Sellers.
Tone—Dull.

LINSEED—

Bombay, per 416lbs ex-ship ... 45 3-4unchgd,
Do. Months— ... May-June.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet.
Linseed Calcutta ... 44 1-4unchgd
Do. Months— ... April-June. London—Done and sellers
Linseed Argentine—La Plata ... 41 3-4—1-4
Do. Months— ... May-June.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers

COTTONSEED.—

Bombay Cottonseed Market 6-10-0 unchgd.
May-June—Hull—Nearest value, Quiet.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—

Fair Rio Coffee ... 11 1-4 unchgd.

RUBBER—

Para Rubber ... 3 8 3-4—1-4d. May-June—Value—Dull.

METALS—

Copper Braziers ... £ 82 unchgd.
Yellow Metal ... d. 7 1-8 unchgd
Standard Copper G M B ... £ 68 1-2unchgd.

FREIGHTS—

Coals:—Cardiff to Bombay:—13s.—Value.

ARRIVALS—

"Serbestan," "Persepolis."

BEEF & MUTTON TALLOW—

Finest Australian Beef Tallow ... 38
" " Mutton Tallow... 39 s.
General Tone of Tallow Auction—Firm.

SUGAR—

German Granulated Sugar C&F India (Double bags) ... 13 3 3-4 unchgd
Do. Months of Shipment. July-Aug.—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet with a fairly steady tone.
Hamburg Crystals Sugar C & F India ... 12 6 unchgd.
Do. Months of Shipments—June Sellers.
Tone—Neglected.
German Beetroot 50 p.c. ... 9 4 3-4+1-4d.
Months of Shipment ... May—Sellers.
9 8 1-2 -1-2d.—Oct.-Dec.—Sellers
Tone—Market opened easier and owing to rains closed steadier.
E A B & Similar Crystals C & F India ... 13 10 1-2—3-4d.
Months of Shipments .. June-Augt.—Sellers.
Tone—Steady. Not much doing.
Mauritius Crystals C & F Calcutta and Bombay ... Nominal.
Month of Shipments ... .
Java Sugar—Very quiet. Prices firm.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

THURSDAY EVENING. [May 29TH, 1913

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Importers.
	Rs.		
15 Boxes Bullion	10,30,399	London	Chartered Bank
2 Boxes Bullion	1,12,500	do	Hongkong Bank
20 Boxes Sovereigns	15,00 000	Alexandria	do
2 Boxes Bullion	1,22,880	London	Mercantile Bank
10 Boxes Sovereigns	7,50,000	Port Said	do

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 27th May, 1913.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway....	69	75,929
B. B. and C. I. Ry...	72	85,708

FINANCIAL.

MONEY:—

Bank of Ben. rate since 17th April 1913 6 p.c.
Bank of Bom. " " 24th May 1913 6 "
Bank of Mad. " " 31st Dec. 1912 8 "

The Bank of Bombay has to-day reduced its rate of interest by one per cent, i.e., to 6 per cent.

The cash balance of the Bank of Bengal is 39 lakhs up, and the Bank rate is unchanged.

EXCHANGE—

Council bills went at last week's rates, but the percentage was larger, being 29 against 8 last week. The market, opened weak at 1s. 4 1-32d. T. T., 1s. 4 1-32d. on Demand, and 1s. 4 1-4 for 3 months' sight Credits for all deliveries up to end of July. There was a fair enquiry for Bank remittance and rates close easier. There are few bills offering.

We quote.—

T. T. on London	...1s. 4d.
Demand Draft	...1s. 4 1-32d.
Credit 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 1-4d.
Do. do forward	...1s. 4 1-4d. July
Do, do France	... 171 1-4
Do, do Marks	... 139 1-4
Hongkong 60 days' sight	... 146 1-2
Shanghai "	... 200
Japan "	... 143 3-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—

The market opened at steady 96 5-16 for Cash and the settlement, but later in the day declined 1-16, closing as under. A small business is reported.

We quote.—

Cash ...	...	Rs. 96 4 0
1st Settlement	...	" 96 4 0
2nd do	...	" 96 6 0

BULLION.—

Yesterday bar silver in London was 1-16 higher both for ready and forward at 27 3-4 and 28 respectively. New York was 1-8 up at 60 1-8. The local market opened at 70 7-8 ex duty for the settlement and close 1-8 lower as under. A moderate business is reported. Bar gold is steady, We quote.

English or French	...	Rs. 24 1 6
Australia Gold	...	24 0 6
Sovereign Gold	...	" 15 0 0
Silver (ex duty)		
Ready	...	" 70 8 0
1st Settlement	...	" 70 12 0.
2nd Settlement	...	" 70 9 0
Silver (cum duty)		
Ready	...	" 79 14 0
1st Settlement March	...	" 80 2 0
2nd Settlement	...	" 79 15 0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT.—

The following are the latest telegrams received here:—

GRUNING AND Co.:—Improved demand for actual cotton for consumption.

PRIVATE:—We have no very decided opinion, but we recommend you to be out of the Market before Bureau.

THEODORE PRICE AND Co.:—Think the market is on the eve of a serious decline.

A STERN AND Co.:—Crop prospects are favourable. Entire absence of speculation before BureauReport is published. We anticipate Bureau report will point to eighty. Good undertone. Bear operators cautious

WELD AND Co.:—Our New York friends cable:—"Provided development of crop continues normally we expect lower markets eventually. Speculative short interest is very small." Our travelling man telegraphs from North Texas:—"Weather is fine; there is plenty of moisture in the soil; best condition in West Texas since 1908"

NORDEN AND Co.:—Acreage 4 3 4 per cent over last season. Crop condition 84 per cent.

The American markets yesterday closed easier, futures in New York being 9 and 5 points lower for July and October respectively, and spot cotton 10 points lower. Futures in New Orleans were 7 points down in both positions. The local market opened quiet and easier. In contracts there is very little business passing, but there is a moderate demand for ready which holders are meeting at current rates,

CASTOR OIL—

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

Ready ... Rs. 35 8 0

COTTONSEED:—

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

Ready ... Rs. 26 0 0

QUOTATIONS.—

NEW CROP.

Good M. G. Broach	... Rs. 291	Mar.
F. G. H. C. Bengals	... " 241	Jan.

OLD CROP.

	Rs.	
Fine M. G. Broach ...	... 232-3	June
do. Kamgaon Akola..	252-60	do
do. Bengal	... 239	do
Good Sawzinned Dharwar	... 274	do
Good M G Coompta	... 280	do
Good M. G. Westerns	... 274	do
Good H. G. Westerns	... 272	do
Good M. G. Miraj	... 282	do

INVESTMENT OF RAW SILK.—

Opening Tone ... Easy
Estimated Sales ... 7,000
Total Imports ... 4,000

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

May-June.	June-July.	July-Aug.
6·41	6·27	6·35
—05	—04	—04
Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.
6·25	6 13	6 06
—04	—04	—04
Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.
6 04	6·03	6 02
—03	—03	—03

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED:—

The market is quiet.

Ready	... Rs. 7 6 0	B.T.
May	... " 8 1 0	B.T.
September	... " 8 8 0	B.T.

RAPESEED:—

The market is quiet. We quote:—

Brown Deint May	Rs. 8 5 0	B.T
Yellow Cawnpore	" 8 0 0	B.T.
Yellow Gujrat	" 8 7 0	B.T.

GINGELLY SEED:—

Tone—Quiet.

Black Kanri	... "	48 8 0
Yellow Highnight	"	6: 8 0
Yellow Secunderabad	"	60 0 0

POPPY SEED —

Tone—Quiet. We quote:—

Ready ... Rs. 11 12 0 B.T.

GROUNDNUTS:—

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

Bold	... Rs.	48 8 0
Small	... "	46 8 0

MOWRA SEED—

Tone—Quiet. We quote:—

June—September ... Rs. 8 1 6

WHEAT:—

Tone—Quiet.

White Pissi 85 p.c. ready	Rs.	5 4 6 R.T.
White Delhi May	"	5 6 9 R.T.

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay	...	1,697 1-2
Bank of India	...	69
Eastern Bank	...	87
Indian Specie	...	66 1-2

MILLS.

David	...	518 3-4
Kohinoor	...	795
Manockji Petit	...	3,910
New Great Eastern	...	243 1-4
Standard	...	1,355

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ord		206
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Pre		178
Bombay S N Ordy	...	241 1-4
Colaba Land and Mill...		1,400
Shivrajpur M. Syndicate		20
Treacher and Co	...	500

RAILWAY.

Central Pro	...	96
Tapti Valley	...	590
Upper Sind Light Ry...		17 Premium.

DAY'S RECEIPTS.

The following are the amounts of produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m. yesterday:—

Cotton	...	9,479 bales.
Wheat	...	5395 cwts.
Linseed	...	24,681 "
Rapeseed	...	8,171 "
Gingellyseed	...	660 "
Poppyseed	...	1,516 "
Groundnuts...	...	3,317 "
Castorseed	...	6,716 "
Rice	...	34,261 "
Myrabollams.	...	1,281 "
Cottonseed ...	...	17,033 "
Mowrasseed ...	...	162 "
Gram	...	2,640 "
Joowar	...	7 "
Maize	...	Nil
Barley	...	414 "

GRIFFITHS' COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, May 28.

Day's Receipts at U.S. Ports.	9,000 Bales.
Exports to Great Britain ...	2,000 do
Exports to Continent ...	1 000 do
Spot Cotton at New York ...	11·90—10
Future Cotton at New York July	10·55 —9
Future Cotton at New York October	11 10—5
Tone Market at closing Spot..	.....
Tone Market at closing Fut res	.....
Futures closing tone ...	Quiet
General Tone Market opened:—	

Quiet and advanced on wall street selling, bear pressure and liquidation.

NEW ORLEANS, May 28

Spot Cotton at New Orleans...	12 7-16
Future Cotton at New Orleans—July ...	12 0 —7
Future Cotton at New Orleans—October	11 21—7
Future closing tone —	Quiet

LIVERPOOL, May 28.

COTTON.

The Liverpool market opened for spot.—Steady and closed Steady.

The Liverpool market closed for futures—Quiet but steady.

The Liverpool market closed for East Indians.—Quiet but steady

Total Days Sales ...	...	10 000 bales.
Sales on Spec and export	...	500 "
Total Sales of urats	...	.....
Total Day's Imports	...	20,000
Cocanada Fair Red—Ldn. O. I. F.	...	5 5-32
Cocanada Ginned—London O. I. F.	...	5 6-32
Egyptian F G Fair Brown	...	9·95
Good Showranagur	...	5 7-96.
Good Bengal ...	...	5 14-32d.
F. G. Sems' ...	...	5 13-32d
Fine Bengal ...	...	5 2 -32d
Good Madras Westerns Ldn...		5 14-32 d
F. G. F. Tinnevelly L'pool O. I. F.	...	6 9-32d Sellers
Geo. Mayalls Yarns	...	41
40's Mule Twist (Bannermills),		11 1-8
Weft 54 American	...	12 7-8
Weft 30 Egyptian	...	18 1-2
Weft 32's ...	...	14 3-8
Twist 36 ...	...	10 1-2
Twist 42 ...	...	11 3-4
Twist American 60 ...	...	16 7-8
Twist Egyptian 60 ...	...	18
Twist Egyptian 80 ...	...	21 1-8
Tone of Fine Yarns—	...	... ...
Tone of Coarse Yarns—		Steady
General Tone of Yarn Market—		do.
Mid American at Liverpool ...		6·70—6

Cotton delivery mid uplands G. O. C. Liverpool,

May-June	6 40—1
June-July	6·41—3
July-Aug	6 39—1
Aug.-Sept	6 29—2
Sept.-Oct	6·17 unchgd
Oct.-Nov.	6·10+1
Nov.-Dec.	6·07+1
Dec.-Jan.	6·06+1
Jan.-Feb.	6·05+1

MANCHESTER, May 28.

Manchester piece goods market—Firm considerable business, but business checked by higher prices and longer delivery.

LONDON, May 28.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Linseed, 4 p. c Refraction, Landed Terms (per 410 lbs)...May-June—Ldn, 44 3 Done
Do. Bombay ex-ship (per 416lbs) ...May-June—Antwerp ... ... 45 9 "
Do. La Plata ...May-June—Antwerp ... 41 6 "
Do. Tone of Market at close. Steady
Do. Tendency of the Market— do
Linseed Oil Spot Pipes May— £ 24 15 0
do ... July-Aug.— £24 5 0
Do. Tone of Market at close. Steady
Do. total afloat for U. K. ... ... "
Do. River Plate exports ... .
Poppyseed Canal ...May- une —Antwerp... 65 6 "
Do. Tone of Market at close. .....
Rapeseed Calcutta Brown Canal May June—Hamburg 46 6 "
Do. Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs 85 p.c. exship May-June—Dunkirk ... 50 3 "
Do. Yellow Guzerat, per 416 lbs. 85 p. c exship May-June—Dunkirk ... 52 "
Do Ferozepore usual bold .....
Do. Jamba Red— ... .
Do. Tone of Market at close. Steady
Cottonseed, Bombay parcels, May-June—Hull ...£3-14-0 "
Do. Tone of Market at Close.. Steady
Gingelly seed. Bombay 15 p.c. Mar.-Apr.—London. .....
Wheat. Choice white Karachi May-June—London... 38
Do. F A Q fixed Karachi (per 4·2 lbs.) May-June—London... 37 9
Do. Club No. 2 May-June—London... 38
Do. Choice white Delhi May-June—London— .....
Do. Tone of Market at Close Steady
Do. South Australian ... .
Do. Rosario Santa Fe, 62 lbs .....
Do. do. Tone of Market at Close ... .
Do. Red Grades American per central... .. July 7 6
Do. Afloat to U. K. ...3,660,000 qrs
Do. Stock at U. S. Ports ... .

LONDON, May 28.

SUGAR.

German Beetroot 88 per cent F.O.B. Hamburg ...May-June	Sellers. 9 4 1-2 "
German Beet ot. 88 per cent. F. O. B. Hbury. Aug.	9 6 3-4 "
" Closing Tone of Market.	Quiet
German Granulated C and F. India (double Bags) May-June...	13 0 3-4 "
German Granulated C. and F. India (double Bags) June-July—	.....
German Closing Tone Market—	Quiet
Austrian Crystals B. R. B. C. and F India May June	12 4 1-2 "
Austrian Crystals B. R. B. C. and F. India ...	.....
Do. Closing Tone of Market.	Quiet
Mauritius Crystals ...May	Nomi "
Do. Closing Tone of Market..	.....
E. A. R. and Similar Crystals C. and F. India (double Bags)— May-June	13 5 1-4 "
E. A. R. and Similar Crystals C. & F. Calcutta (double Bags)— June-July...	.....
Do. Closing Tone of Market..	Quiet
Special Feature—General Report of Market ...	.....

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JAVA SUGAR.

Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C. I. F. Calcutta June	Value 10 1 1-2
Java Sugar 16 18 (Average 17) C.I.F. Calcutta July-Dec.	10 10 1-2
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C. I. F Calcutta June ..	.....
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi June ..	11 3
Java Sugar 16 18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi July-Dec...	11
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi, ...	.....
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta June ...	12 1 1-2
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta July-Dec....	11 10 1-2
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta... ...	.....
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Bom. or Karachi June ..	12 3
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Bom. or Karachi July-Dec.	12
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Bom or Karachi June	.....
Closing Tone of Market Special Feature ...	Firm—Nothing doing

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METALS.

	£	s. d.
Copper, Standard G M B ...	63	10 0
" Best English Selected. ...	74	15 0
" Brazers	82	5 0
" Tone of Market ...	Quiet	
Hard Spelter	21	10 0
Tin Block F O B Liverpool ...	224	10 0
Yellow Metal ... "		7 1-8
Galvd. Corrugated Sheets, 24 O. G. O. Brand F O B L'pool	11	5 0
Belgium Iron Bar No 2 ...	.....	
Tin Plates, I C Coke 14 by 20, 1·2 Sheets in box C I F L'pool	.....	
Pig Iron, No 3 Cleveland ...	3	10 9
Pig Iron No. 3 Clarence F O B Middlesboro.	3	8 3
Pig Iron Gartcherrie ...	4	1 0
Lead Pig Spanish	19	5 0
Tone of Steel Market ...	.....	
Silver, Spot	27	3-4
" 2 months hence ...	28	
Tone of Market— ...	Steady	

Sellers holding for higher prices

LONDON, May 28.

FINANCIAL.

Silver Spot ...	... 27 3-4
Silver 2 Months...	... 28
Silver Closing Tone of Market—	Steady
Silver Tendency, etc. of the Market	...Sellers holding for higher prices
Rentes 3 p. c....	... £ 75
Consols 2 1-2 p. c.	... £ 74 13-16
Indian Stock 3 1-2 p. c....	£ 89 1-2
Sterling loan ...	... £ 8 1-4
Govt. Securities 3 p. c. ...	£ 76
Rupee Paper 3 1-2 p. c. ...	£ 64 1-4
Bar Gold per oz. ...	77·9
Opening Tone of Finance Market ...	Steady
Closing Tone of Finance Market	do
Bank of England Rate of Discount ...	... 4 1-2 p. c.
Exchange on India 30 days Sight ...	... 1 3 7-8
London at Paris Fcs.	... 25·21
Berlin cheques on London Mks ...	20·43
New york (Demand Bills) ds ...	4·86 1-4
Interest day to day loans	2 7 8
Do. 7 days Market loans	3
Discount Bank Bills 3 months Sight ...	3 9-16
Do. Bank Bills 6 months' Sight ...	3 5-8
Fine Trade Bills 3 months	4 3 8
Fine Trade Bills 6 months	4 3-8

LONDON, May 28.

COUNCIL BILLS.

At the Periodical Biddings for Council Bills on India to-day for... ... ... Rs. 60,00,000

Rs. 20,000 were allotted to Calcutta.
" 40,000 do to Bombay.
" 1,60,000 do to Madras.
Rs. 2,0 ,0 0

Tenders on Calcutta at 1s. 4 1-32d (Min. Rate) received 29 per cent above that rate in full.

Tenders on Bombay at 1s. 4 1-32d, (Min Rate) received 29 per cent above that rate in full.

Average rates of allotment Calcutta and Bombay 16·03.

TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS:—

Rs. 1,00 000 were allotted to Calcutta.
" 50,10,000 do to Bombay.
" 6,0 ,000 do to Madras.
Rs. 57,60,000

Tenders on Calcutta at 1s. 4 1-16d. (Min Rate) received 29 per cent above that rate in full.

Tenders on Bombay at 1s. 4 1-16d (Min. Rate) received 29 per cent above that rate in full.

Average rates of allotment Calcutta and Bombay ... 16·06

Total Amount of Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening including last Public Sale 77,90,000

Amount to be allotted next week ... ... Rs. 60,00,000

LIVERPOOL, May 29.

OPENING COTTON.

Days Estimated Sales ... 8,000
Tone of Market ... Quiet.
Cotton Daily Mid Uplands G. O. C Liverpool.

Futures.	Latest closing	To-day's opening.
May-June...	6·43	6·44
June-July...	6 41	6·39
July-Aug....	6·39	6·37
Aug.-Sept...	6 29	6·27
Sept.-Oct....	6·17	6·15
Oct.-Nov....	6·10	6·08
Nov.-Dec....	6·07	6·05
Dec-Jan ...	6·06	6 04
Jan.-Feb. ..	6·05	6·03

DAILY EXPORTS—MAY 29.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Massilia s—15 bales wool M Jetha 256; bales wool, D Sasson and Co; 6 bales cotton waste, K Visram and Co; 2575 cwts oilcakes, A G Dawar and Co.

Westminister s—100 bales hemp, F Khoobchand.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Massilia s—2000 cwts wheat, S Cooverjee and Co; 1020 cwts crushed bones, Hollingshurst and Co.

FOR PHILADELPHINE.

Massilia s—800 casks goat skins, E N Stein; 70 casks goat skins, Cox S hipping Agency.

FOR LONDON.

Mantua s—101 bales cotton cutting, E Hayim; 1 bale woolen carpets, H Bakerbhoy and Co; 2 bales woolen carpets, J L Cullianbhoy; 440 cwts wheat, Ralli Bros.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Westminister s—250 tons manganesecre, C I Mining Co.

Koranna s—165 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co. 5928 cwts barley, 4940 cwts poppyseed Ralli Bros, 224 bags cotton, Volkart Bros.

Velle de la Bordians s—10000 cwts wheat, Sanday and Co; 6000 cwts linseed, E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR HULL.

Ormistan s—151 cwts myrabollams, S Cooverji and Co; 601 cwts cottonseed, L Pragji.

FOR BALLIMORE.

Lancefield s—8000 tons manganesecre, J Finlay and Co.

FOK NEW YORK.

Kalomo s—50 cwts aloes, M Jafferbhoy.

FOR ANTWERP.

Hannington s—345 bales hemp, E Domersey; 50 bales hemp D M Doongaj and Co; 150 bales hemp, 70 bales cotton, C Peraj and Co; 1000 cwts castorseed, Ralli Bros; 14000 cwts crushed bones, R Kaderbhoy; 800 tons manganesecre, S Smith and Co.

Beckbergen s—999 cwts linseed, R Purshtam

Wardenfels s—43 bales hemp, K Visram and Co; 4002 cwts gingellyseed, C Boggiano and Co; 600 cwts mustardseed, A Blascheck and Co; 1300 cwts rapeseed, 2000 cwts linseed, R S Forage 999 cwts linseed, A Purshotam.

FOR AMSTERDAM.

Hannington s—4000 cwts rapeseed Sanday and Co;

FOR ROTTERDAM

Wardenfels s— 600 cwts wheat, Ralli Bros

FOR HAMBURG.

Royal Prince s—5788 cwts rapeseed, L Dreyfus and Co.

Weissenfels s 100 cwts gum olibanum, M Jafferbhoy; 440 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

Warturm s—220 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR GENOA.

Dev of Kelly s—10 bales cotton, S Byramjee.

FOR TRIESTE.

Cleopatra s—49 bales cotton, Bombay Co; 100 cwts gum olibanum S Cooverjee and Co; 50 cwts gum olibanum, P Jethabhoy; 1 package woolen carpets Thos cook and Son.

Ambra s 44 bales cotton, New Mofussil Co; 220 bales cotton, Bombay Co; 220, bales cotton, K H Kayam and Co; 110 bales cotton, J Finlay and Co; 275 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR VENICE.

Ambra s—100 bales cotton, Finlay and Co.

DAILY IMPORTS—MAY 29.

Steamer Gallia from Bhavnagar, Agents—J Mackentosh and Co 479 bags wheat, 208 bales cotton, 3 bdles guuny, 48 bags black salt.

Steamer Nurani from Calcutta, Agents—T Morrison and Co 8 half chest indigo, 28 bdles mats, 19 rolls mattings, 1,275 bags cocoanuts, 599 bags turmeric, 48 casks, 300 drums linseed oil, 26 drums 164 kegh pafnts, 2 box 7 cask dry colours 10 akegs dry colours 10 drums methylated spirit, 12 bales paper, 2 bags croton seed 5 cases cashe nuts, 107 bags 31 jottas copra 2,304 robins copra 115 casks coconuts oil, 170 bundle 31 bags cardamoine, 38 robins, 2e bags millies, 565 bags bags gi ger 100 jottas 1,758 bags paper, 7 bundles yarn waste, 2,737 bags cotton. 19 bundles cotton, 3,597 bundles 163 jottas coir yarn, 51 bales gunnies, 1 case tobacco, 160 case 217 half chests tea, 72 bags 32 candles candle wood.

NOTES FROM THE MAIL.

SECRET FUNDS.

Commenting on the moving of the second reading of Mr. Dickinson's Woman Suffrage Bill, "The Times" said:—"The debate on the Bill takes place at a moment which woman suffrage enthusiasts consider to be very unfavourable to their cause, following, as it does, close upon the Home Office raid of the militant headquarters. It is of interest also to record the fact that the authorities are at present making the most searching inquiries in order to ascertain who are the chief subscribers to the advanced campaign. It is stated that the wife of one of the wealthiest Liberal peers of recent creation has contributed over £1,000."

GAOL FOR POLICE CHIEF.

Immense crowds thronged the Criminal Court of New York in mail work to witness the sentencing of the four ex-inspectors of the New York police who were convicted of conspiracy to defeat the ends of justice. The maximum penalty of £100 and five years' imprisonment was imposed on each. The former police magnates, who two days before were dismissed the force, received their sentences with impassive countenances. It is belived that their disgrace is a prelude to further prosecutions or eminient officials and politicians suspected of being pillars of the system of "graft" and dishonesty in the police force.

SHAKESPEARE'S "HOWLER."

Mr. E. Armstrong, in the first of a series of lectures on Florentine tragedies delivered at the Royal Institution, London, declared that Shakespeare achieved in "Romeo and Juliet" "one of the greatest literary 'howlers' which has ever been perpetrated, and added that it was one to be thankful for. In Dante's day, he said, the conflict of family factions was the keynote of Italian history in almost every town except Venice. From families the feuds grew into sects. There never was such a family as the Capulets. The "Cappelletti" were a sect in Verona who wore their hair long and were ready at any time to fight their shorthaired antagonists; but Shakespeare had evidently read Italian history wrongly, and built up the great love tragedy in the belief that the feud was between two families fighting under a couple of local patriarchs.

AMBASSADOR'S ADVICE.

At a farewell banquet given to him by the publishers of America Mr. Walter H. Page, the new United States Ambassador to Britain, announced his retirement from his editorial duties, and said he was leaving his magazine the "World's Work," complete liberty to criticise his Ambassadorial activities. To the publishers Mr. Page said "I have been a reader instead of an editor for the last three weeks, and I can now tell you what is the matter with you There are too many of you. I cannot read all your magazines. My serious advice is that as many of you as possible should die off. I wish someone would invent a painless death for magazines." Mr. St. Clair McKelway, an eminent editor, created much laughter by asking "How in heaven's name did Mr Page his appointment?" Lord Weardale and sixteen members of the British Peace Delegation to the United States and Canada were among the guests.

HOMESICK PENGUINS.

Nine of ten Gentoo penguins which arrived at the London Zoological Gardens in mail week from the Falkland Islands, South Atlantic have died. Their death is not attributed to the climate, but rather to homesickness, for they pined away. Since 1874, when the last specimens in the "Zoo" died, numerous attempts had been made to acclimatise these birds, but all had failed. The sole survivor of the present flock has been placed in the seal lions' pond with "Charlie" the Penguin King from whom it received a somewhat dignified reception. This rare specimen is considerably smaller than the King penguin, and has a white patch at the back of its neck. Apparently it is very much affected by the loss of its companions, for it broods silently in a corner and is not even excited at the prospect of feeding time. Two other new arrivals at the "Zoo" are a couple of African puff-adders Though small, they are perhaps more deadly than any other reptile.

CHICAGO HUNGER STRIKE.

The unbounded contempt expressed by Americans for British soft-heartedness in dealing with hunger strikers has just been subjected to an amusing test by a Chicago woman of good education and refined appearance. She was arrested on a charge of soliciting and ordered, to pay a fine of $100 (£20). Declaring the charge a hideous mistake, she refused to pay fine and was sent to gaol, despite her fervent protestations of innocence. For ten days she resolutely declined to speak or partake of food though the most tempting viands were placed before her. She was taken to hospital but still refused all food and to-day the doctors informed Judge Hopkins that the woman was dangerously weak. Cannot you make her eat?" asked the judge, "She is a woman," the doctors replied

GREEN ROOM GOSSIP.

A PAGEANT OF COSTUME.

To how many of the hundreds of playgoers who have seen or intend to see Sir Herbert Tree's revival of "The School for Scandal" at His Majesty's Theatre does Sheridan's brilliant comedy appeal rather as a pageant of picturesque costume and old-world manners than as a masterpiece of satirical wit? Together with the three or four other eighteenth-century plays which are still occasionally seen on the stage, "The School for Scandal," it is safe to assert writes a speculative playgoer in the "Daily News" is regarded by the average theatregoer as, first and foremost, a "costume play," and it is perhaps entirely forgotten that when it was first produced it was a comedy of contemporary life, acted by ladies and gentlemen dressed in exactly the same way as the occupants of the stalls and the boxes, and gaining applause by its "modernity" and "up-to-dateness" of dialogue.

SHAW AS AN ANTIQUITY.

It is a little strange to think that a century hence the plays of Mr. Bernard Shaw—assuming that posterity has the good taste to revive them—will also have the added charm of "quaint" costume (not picturesque perhaps) and "old-world" backgrounds and curious old twentieth-century turns of speech; and that the actor-managers of 2013 A. D. will probably cause their orchestras to discourse sweet rag-time music, and will introduce a "Turkey Trot" or some other old-fashioned dance into the last act of "Fanny's First Play"—just as Sir Herbert Tree arranges for a stately minuet in "The School for Scandal." And think for a moment how quaint the motor-car in "Man and Superman" will doubtless appear to a generation accustomed to methods of transport yet undreamt-of!

THE REVIVAL OF PINERO.

If only a playwright commence his business early in life of course he may live to see his own plays revived in the costume of an older generation. Such an experience has fallen to the lot of Sir Arthur Pinero, whose merry farce of the eighties. "The Schoolmistress," is now being played at the Vaudeville Theatre by actors and actresses in costumes that recall to one's mind the "Punch" drawings of George du Maurier and Charles Keene. The laughter which nightly greets the entrance of the three young ladies of the boarding school is due as much to the quaintness of their dresses (and coiffures) as to the humour of the situation. Mr. Gerald du Maurier missed a fine opportunity when he decided to modernise "Diplomacy," both as to costume and dialogue. Sardou's skilful drama is essentially the play of a period—a melodrama of the later Victorian era, when women were all alike "queenly" and gracious (like the heroines of Tennyson), and men were either impetuous, heroics, and given to soliloquy, or were sinister, refined individuals, with a marked foreign accent. A revival of "Diplomacy," staged and dressed as it was on its first production in this country a generation ago, would have had a special interest.

THE APPEAL OF COSTUME.

For this demand of the playgoer for pageantry and picturesqueness in the theatre is a perfectly legitimate one. Drama is an art which makes its appeal to the eye as well as to the ear. No one, for example, but a few simple-hearted "Big Navy" enthusiasts, troubled vastly about the plot of "Drake," or about the somewhat prosy speeches which that gallant gentleman of fortune delivered on every suitable occasion (in the play). What delighted us all was the colour and the movement of the crowds the splendour of the dresses in which men in those days put off to sea, and the "vastly handsome" appearance of the Queen and her ladies. Brilliancy of dialogue, skilfulness of plot, clever characterisation—all these we may get in a play which may yet not appeal to us so surely or so successfully as another which is little more than a mere pageant. How many scores of playgoers discovered with relief that in "The Pretenders" Ibsen had written a play which afforded opportunity for picturesque mounting and staging—as a contrast to those dingy middle-class interiors, with antimacassars on all the chairs, and depressing mahogany furniture, which one usually associates with the plays of the great Norwegian! All of us get more than enough of the "penny plain" in our ordinary daily lives; it is surely not surprising that we like occasionally to feast our eyes on "two-penny coloured" fare in the theatre. Mr. Shaw may sneer at our "sickly" craving for "romance." Time will bring its revenge when our descendants talk of "You Never Can Tell" as a charming costume-play!

A NEW SHYLOCK.

For the first time in London, Mr. Forbes Robertson was seen as Shylock at Drury Lane in mail week. Although it is a commonplace to praise Mr. Forbes Robertson's intelligence and taste, that is the kind of praise which his Shylock most merits. And it is no mean praise for, writes Mr. E. A. Baughan, I have seen Shylocks who for the sake of a brief effect, have invented business of unnecessary elaboration and others who have been more like burly Smithfield butchers than the Jew that Shakespeare portrayed. It was good to hear all the lines so intelligently spoken, with such just and telling emphasis. It was good, too, to see a shylock who was not exaggerated beyond all semblance to humanity. In this century, of course, we take Shakespeare's view of Shylock, and not the view of an Elizabethan audience, as the proper interpretation of the part. No doubt Elizabethans loved to see Shylock baited after Portia's absurd judgment, just as they loved to see Malvolio tormented and ill-used. Shakespeare gave his public what they wanted, but his genius makes its own comment in this play, and Shylock, even when played melodramatically, is a sympathetic figure, and the Christians, lords and ladies alike, a poor set of insignificant quibblers and cads. Mr. Forbes Robertson plays for sympathy, of course, just as Irving did and the finest night were when Shylock refers to the ring his wife had given him, and when the Jew stumbles out of court, a broken man who has to face the worst indignity of all, the change of his religion.

TOO MUCH TAMENESS.

There is more, however, in Shylock than the natural pathos of a simple nature'—simple, I mean, in his view of life. His hatred of Christians in general and of Antonio in particular and his reverence for his own race and his own God, are fixed ideas. He is implacable in his revenge, and there should be something Eastern in his ferocity. Mr. Forbes Robertson carried through the scene when Shylock has just heard of his daughter's flight with much theatrical force. It brought down the house. This was a spasmodic effect, however, and in general this new Shylock was too gentle and too tame. One even felt that he would not have been a very exacting creditor if he had only been treated decently. The performance as a whole was adequate, and Miss Gertrude Elliott's Portia was at once charming and sufficiently authoritative. Considering that the actress is not by nature fitted for Shakespeare she did remarkably well. The Doge of Mr. Ian Robertson, the Prince of Morocco of Mr. Greadon Bentley, the Launcelot of Mr. Athol Forde, and the Bassanio of Mr. Basil Gill were other performances which deserve praise. It is, indeed, an excellent performance of "The Merchant of Venice" that Mr. Forbes Robertson has given.

AN AMERICAN PLAY IN PARIS.

The Parisian public, writes Charles Dawbarn in the "Pall Mall Gazette," has not taken as kindly to "The Great Divide" (which has appeared in French dress at the Theatre des Arts) as the public of America. Yet it is an interesting play. There is an ingenious development of the theory that the Rockies divide character as well as territory. On the western slopes, human nature is passionate and intrepid, with an almost pagan enjoyment of life, on the eastern, other forces prevail: hyper-civilisation, Puritanism, atavic virtues and defects. These considerations, which appeal to Anglo-Saxons, leave the French cold, especially through a translation. The situations for some cause, either inherent or because of the medium, are devoid of the necessary sharpness. Foreign successes rarely succeed in Paris. This arises from jealousy and from the fact that French technique is superior to any in the world. The form is always there, even if the matter is absent. This and good acting account for the dominance of the French theatre at its worst, it is never quite as bad as crude English or American drama.

A REMARKABLE PROGRAMME.

M. Astruc's theatre in the Champs Elysees has given a remarkable programme. In four weeks, during which the box-office has made £12,000, the impresario has produced five operas, two ballets, and eight gala concerts. Amongst the celebrities engaged have been Mme. Melba, Mme. Lili Lehmann, La Barrientos, La Pavlova, La Trouhanowa, Herr Weingartner, and Kubelik.

MLLE. DORZIAT.

Sometimes Paris invades London without having obtained the baptism of fire. It is so with "Crossus," now being rehearsed for the London Garrick Baron Henri de Rothschild tells me that it will not be seen here before October. Mlle. Gabrielle Dorziat, who plays the heroine, has acted in London in her own tongue, but this is her first essay in English. At the Gare du Nord, as she was returning to London, I asked her whether the thought of her London debut affected her. "No," she said, laughing. "I expected to be nervous, but I feel quite master of myself." The bi-lingual actress is not the "rara avis" she once was. Mme. Simone's performance at the St. James's with Sir George Alexander in "The Thief," and again, her long tour in America, are standing instances of ability to speak two languages with the perfection of one. There are, I imagine, few English artists who would dare to make the experiment in Paris.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

ABOUT WEDDINGS.

At the present moment, writes a London correspondent, there is a welcome lull in the "Rush to the Altar," for even to-day May is considered to be the most unlucky month for marriage, and therefore there are a great many weddings during April, and an equally large number in June. As in everything else, people are always striving after the novel, and the great aim of the bride-to-be is to hit upon some new idea to introduce on her wedding day, either at the church or afterwards, at the reception. This year has already seen several innovations, but the palm for new ideas must be given to Miss Hutchinson, daughter of Mr. C. C. Hutchinson, K. C, who not alone had her wedding on a Sunday, which is quite a new departure, but introduced for the first time Lady Ushers to conduct the guests to their places. Her two sisters, both tall and pretty girls, undertook this duty, and they were certainly most successful in their handling of the large number of guests who were present, and it was noticed that the majority of the male guests avail themselves of the charming Lady Ushers' services. Lord Ribblesdale's daughter created a mild sensation in driving to the church in the family coach with postillions, and at a wedding of an airman in the country, several of the guests flew to the reception. Several bridegrooms have dispensed with the services of a best man, and one or two brides have been preceded up the aisle by their bridal retinue, while at one wedding the bridesmaids, instead of following the bride, lined each side of the aisle, holding baskets of wedding favours, which they distributed to the guests on their arrival. Fashion has not altered much as regards the bridal dress, for it is mostly composed of the orthodox white satin trimmed with lace, but one or two society brides have had all lace robes, and silver and gold brocades are becoming quite popular. The bridesmaid's hat seems to be giving way to the lace cap or the wreath of flowers and veil, the latter certainly having a more "wedding" effect.

THE PROPER PRESENT.

The latest thing in wedding presents seems at the moment to be a copy of the old-fashioned China inkstand, and one recent bride had no fewer than fourteen of these inkstands showered upon her. Eight of them were exactly alike and were purchased at the same shop, so these went back in a batch, and were exchanged for other articles. Another very favourite present is a parasol handle: some of these are in plain crystal or jade, while others are enamel and richly jewelled. Books are on the increase, and the young couple of to-day are almost certain to receive quite a big library among their wedding gifts. Mr. Balfour nearly always gives books to his young friends, as also do Lord Haldane, Lord Morley, and several others. One well-known man about town, who is invited to nearly every big society wedding, always sends the same gift, namely a silver gilt cake knife in a case, while the members of the Rothschild family invariably bestow gifts of costly jewellery.

THE RECEPTION UP TO DATE.

When the town residence of the bride's parents is not very large, the newest practice is to split the wedding reception up into two portions, the first lot of guests being invited to tea and to view the presents on the day preceding the wedding, and the relations and the more intimate friends to another reception after the wedding. There is seldom, if ever, any entertainment, such as a dance, or seats at the theatre, provided for the guests on the wedding evening nowadays, as the society woman or man of to-day is usually so full of engagements during the season, and can only afford time to look in for half-an-hour at a wedding reception, and then hurry off to some other functions.

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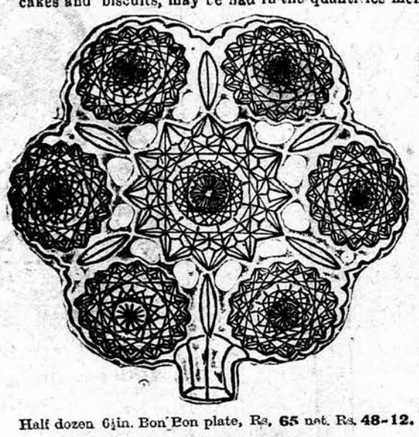

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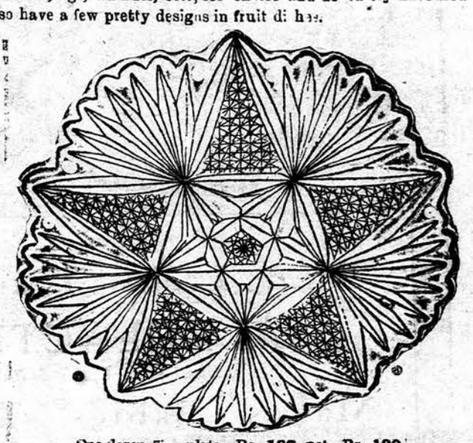

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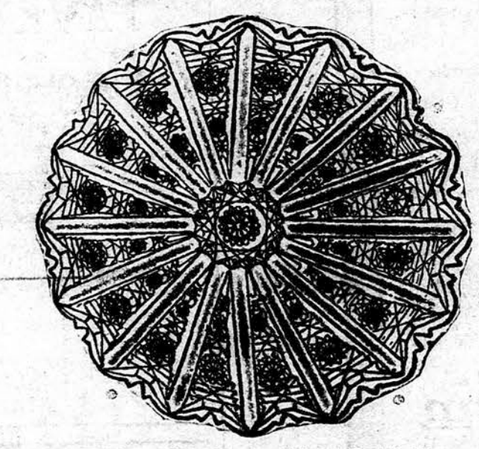

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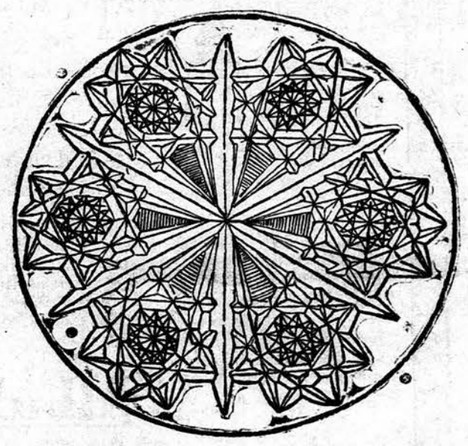

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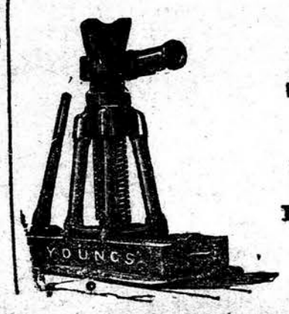

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